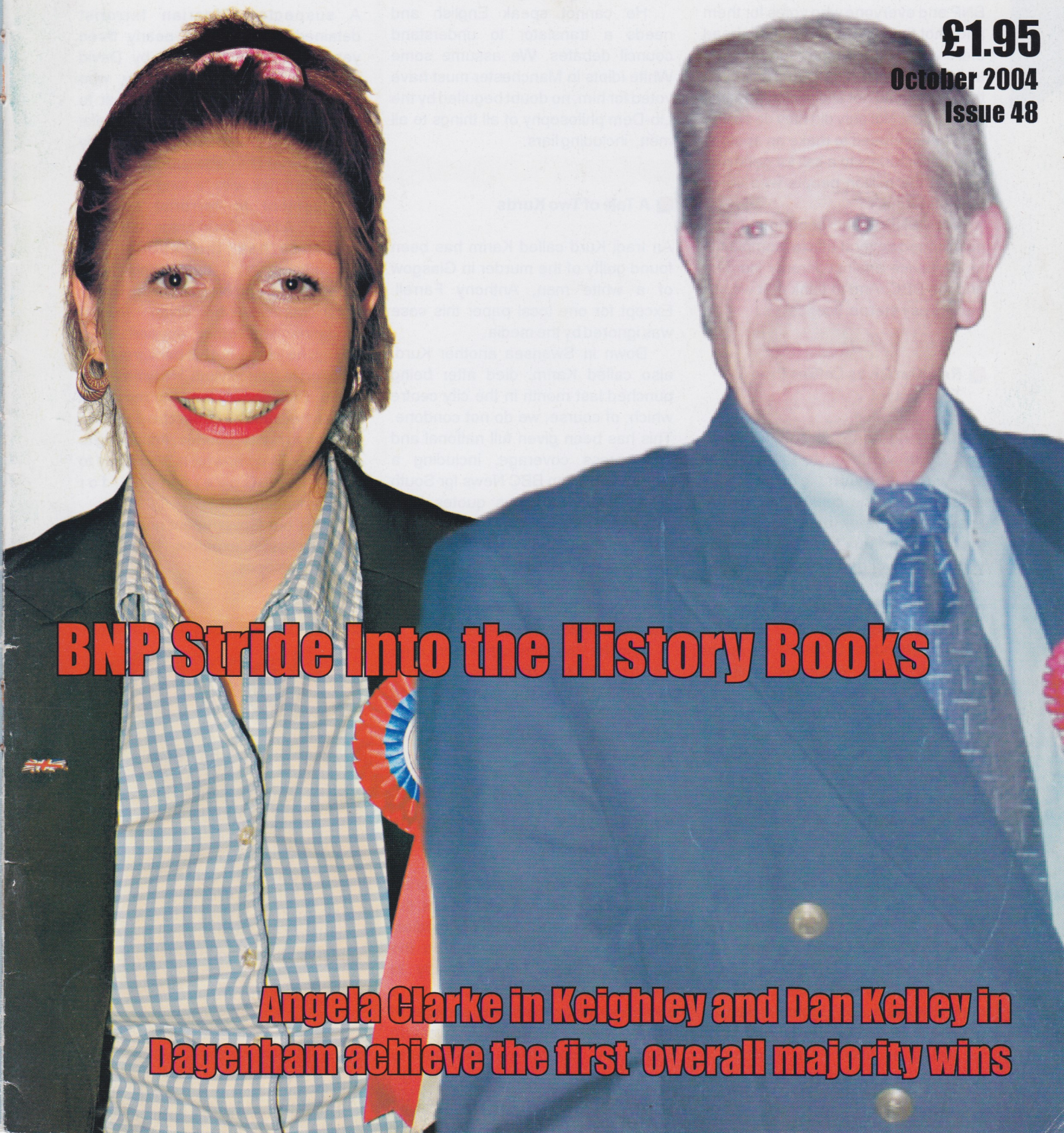


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BNP Stride Into the History Books

Angela Clarke in Keighley and Dan Kelley in Dagenham achieve the first overall majority wins



October's News

■ "Shoot BNP Voters, Says BBC Comedian"

On September 9th on the BBC Radio 4 programme *Speaks to the Nation*, the so-called comedian Jeremy Hardy said: "...if you took everyone in the BNP and everyone who votes for them and shot them in the back of the head there would be a brighter future for us all." One would have thought that even the BBC would not allow such remarks to be made. Not only did they do so, but they have refused to make an apology for what amounts to a call for genocide against the million people who voted BNP last June.

The BNP legal department has now issued several official complaints to the police against Jeremy Harding and the BBC. And to think that we still have to pay them a licence fee!

■ Red Ken Gives Lefties Free Tube Travel

Ken Livingstone is giving free travelcards worth up to £400,000 to left-wing activists attending a conference in the capital this month. Less than a week after announcing that Tube and bus fares will rise next year, the Mayor had decided that up to 20,000 delegates at the "global justice" event will get three days of unlimited travel according to the London *Evening Standard*, 07/09/04. No doubt many of these 'delegates' will be staying on as asylum seekers.

In an article in the same issue of the *Evening Standard* dealing with the need for more black teachers, it was revealed that 43.5 per cent of pupils in Greater London - not just the inner boroughs - are black or Asian.

■ Lib-Dem Sponger Tells Porkies

Liquat Ali, a Liberal Democrat Councillor in Manchester, is not to be confused with his party's boss, Liquid Kennedy, renowned for liking the 'hard stuff'. Six years ago Liquat Ali claimed asylum in Britain on the grounds that he would be killed if he returned to

Pakistan. This April he was eventually given indefinite leave to remain in Britain as part of an amnesty for asylum seekers.

Last month he returned from an 18-day break to his native country, with no reports on any attempt on his life.

He cannot speak English and needs a translator to understand council debates. We assume some White idiots in Manchester must have voted for him, no doubt beguiled by the Lib-Dem philosophy of all things to all men, including liars.

■ A Tale of Two Kurds

An Iraqi Kurd called Karim has been found guilty of the murder in Glasgow of a white man, Anthony Farrell. Except for one local paper this case was ignored by the media.

Down in Swansea another Kurd, also called Karim, died after being punched last month in the city centre which, of course, we do not condone. This has been given full national and local press coverage, including a lengthy report on BBC News for South Wales, with numerous quotes from Swansea Race Equality Council on its concern about "the increase of racism in Swansea". Peter Black, Lib-Dem councillor for South West Wales said: "I don't think there is any doubt at all that there is racism in Swansea".

And the BNP thinks that there is no doubt at all that the media mouthpieces of the Establishment think that the life of a native white Briton has lesser value than an immigrant.

■ 'Huge HIV Crisis Threatens Europe'

Europe is facing a bigger Aids crisis than had previously been thought, the World Bank and leading medical charities warn. A huge leap in the number of new cases, mostly in eastern Europe, threatens to put a severe strain on the health services of the continent, including the western European countries, particularly

Britain, which are the preferred destination for economic migrants within the EU.

Dr Armin Fidler, the health sector manager for the World Bank's Europe and Central Asian region, said that on present trends, up to 10 per cent of the population might become infected in some countries.

■ Terrorist Gets Asylum Handouts

A suspected Algerian terrorist detained in Britain for nearly three years has been released by David Blunkett, the Home Secretary, who said he no longer posed a threat to national security. Yet only 11 weeks previously the Algerian - identified only by the initial D - was judged to be a significant risk with "a long history of involvement in terrorist support activity". A High Court judge had ruled that he "has the ability and commitment . . . to resume those activities were he at liberty in the UK".

D will now be given accommodation and other support even though he lied about his background in an effort to gain asylum. He will also be given discretionary leave to remain in Britain because he cannot be deported on human rights grounds. According to the *Daily Telegraph* he is also likely to sue the Government for compensation.

Thus our Government nurtures, at the taxpayers' expense, those who would destroy us.

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New Labour's Playing Hitler's Game

David Blunkett's Civil Contingencies Bill has been passed through the Commons without any dissent from Labour's back benches or the so-called opposition. The few Tories still left - and even a few Lib Dems - who are mindful of further Government encroachments on our civil liberties, swallowed the New Labour lie that it is designed to deal with Muslim terrorists. If this were so, Labour and the Lib Dem MPs would have fought the Bill tooth and nail. No doubt they would have rightfully raised the point that there are already perfectly adequate laws to deal with terrorists. But they knew the real target for this Bill: the BNP and the hitherto 'Silent Majority, in which you could include the supporters of both the Countryside Alliance and - if they found the courage to confront the issue of Halal ritual slaughter effectively - animal rights campaigners.

If this Bill becomes law, as now looks likely, it will give the New Labour Government, and its successors, the power to ban any political party they feel is a threat to their multi-culti project to abolish Britain as a predominantly white and independent nation. We are not being paranoid when we say that its proposal to sack civil servants who are BNP members is also part of this attack.

Fortunately there are still a few people of prominence who can see that the proposed new law would undermine democracy. Lord Lucas saw this when he spoke in the Lords during the July 5th second reading of the Bill. He said: "Are we opening up our system to the equivalent of what happened in Germany in 1933, where it became possible for an extreme party legitimately to hijack a democracy and turn it into something totalitarian? . . . They (New Labour) appear to want a role of issuing diktats." He concluded by calling for amendments to the Bill which would safeguard our rights "*or we are signing our death warrant as a democracy*". That is exactly the issue and the menace that the Bill presents.

Never forget that every action Hitler took after the passing of the Nazi Enabling Act of March 1933 (which New Labour's Bill closely resembles) was legally carried out. The British equivalent would enable the Government to declare a State of Emergency on practically any grounds: insignificant events (e.g. "damage to property"), even a "situation" would do, including a "situation" outside the United Kingdom.

If Parliament then approves the State of Emergency insisted upon by the Government, then the Government can effectively rule by decree, by dictatorial power.

White Minority Rights Under Attack

How New Labour would be only too ready to use dictatorial power was shown in the manner in which they passed the law to ban hunting with dogs. On this occasion there was virtually no debate and the Government got it through by use of the Parliament Act, which is normally intended for extreme circumstances when the Government's *main* policies are being blocked. We recognise that the BNP has

supporters who have strong objections to hunting, as well as those who believe in freedom of choice for followers of minority sports. The former might say that this action was necessary because the

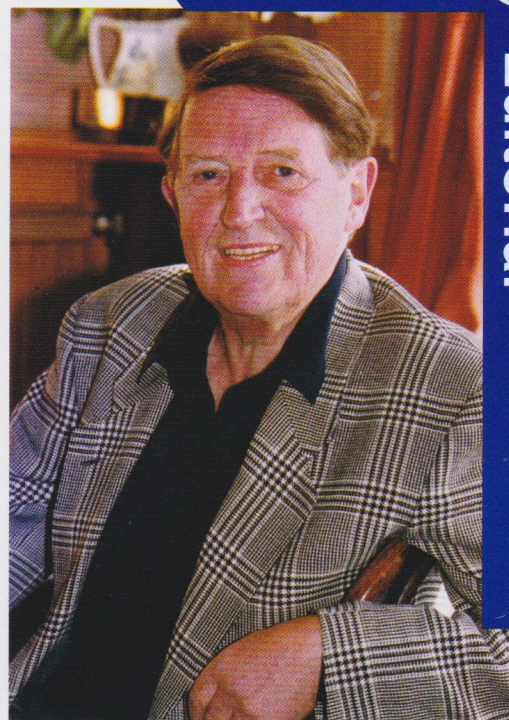
Lords blocked the Bill to introduce this unnecessary law on two occasions and it has been the subject of debate for over six years. Our reply to this is that Blair gave the go ahead as a sop to his class war obsessed left wing to offset the rebellion on the back benches over his folly on Iraq.

We must also consider the influence of his wife. About a year ago a gossip columnist in the *Telegraph* gave a report of an Islington dinner party attended by the Blairs. Apparently the conversation came round to fox hunting and Cherie Blair is alleged to have said: "But Tony, you promised me it would be banned".

Now couple this with the statement by Melvyn Bragg (Lord Bragg), a close friend of the Blairs, that Tony Blair was prepared to resign as Prime Minister back in the summer "due to domestic pressure" and we may have the answer to why the Government suddenly dropped its compromise plan for allowing licensed hunting and used the Parliament Act to force through a total ban.

I do not hunt, nor do I wish to, but I respect the right of those who do. For that reason I joined one of the marches in London organised by the Countryside Alliance some four years ago. As for the Police, on that occasion, as with further marches, the overwhelming majority were very sympathetic and favourably compared our behaviour to that of the left rentamob. It has taken just four years for the police to become a politically correct adjunct of the multi-culti Establishment, prepared to beat white female demonstrators, as well as male, around the head with truncheons. Did we see that behaviour from the police when dealing with rioting Muslims in Bradford?

Those who lead the campaign to defend the countryside way of life must realise that the fight has now come to them. They either unite with us to resist this evil government, or they will fail to defend the British traditions we all wish to see retained in our country.



John Bean

Editor



Nick Griffin puts the spotlight on our General Election target

Our Chance To Blow The Establishment Apart

"An army may be likened to water, for just as flowing water avoids the heights and hastens to the lowlands, so an army avoids strength and strikes weakness."

- Sun Tzu, The Art of War

War has been described as "politics by other means." Conversely, politics is war by other means, and so those who wish to win a political war are wise to begin by studying and learning from the advice of military strategists.

Perhaps the most important lesson that such a study will teach is that it is wrong to launch an all-out, frontal attack on an enemy on his own ground every time you catch a glimpse of his troops. Such advice is just as applicable to the field of peaceful political struggle as it is to armed warfare.

In fact, a key difference between an armed conflict and a political struggle is the question of time. Most military clashes last for something between a day and perhaps five years; most political conflicts on the other hand last between five and twenty five years, often longer. Even more than in warfare, then, political strategists have to plan for the long-term.

Military and political strategists alike have an even more complicated job than usual when they are faced not by one enemy, but by several at once. The key decisions as to where to fight and when are then multiplied by the

number of potential opponents, particularly for a relatively small party like the BNP, which clearly cannot take on everybody at once.

Baring quirks of fate and the ever-present possibility of 'events' producing major threats or opportunities, the next big battle in our long political war will be the General Election. Our best local officials up and down the country are already weighing up which seats to contest, vetting potential candidates, and raising the very significant sums of money needed to do the job (see pages 8 & 9).

BIG PICTURE

But before we get carried away with such details, we need to step back and look at the big picture: However many candidates we stand, however good they are, and however much money we can raise, we are not going to win power at the next General Election. In fact, it would take an unlikely combination of concentrated effort and huge external good fortune for us to win even a single seat.

This being the case, we need to make sure that we have clear in our

own minds what we are aiming to achieve before we even commit ourselves to joining the battle.

The short-term, localised, benefits of involvement in the General Election at an appropriate level are fairly obvious: Publicity; another free distribution of large quantities of leaflets; and the subsequent wave of fresh enquiries, which visits and work will turn into new recruits and future growth.

The phrase "at an appropriate level" is important here; if we fight too few seats such benefits would be restricted to too small an area, but if we overstretch ourselves by fighting too many then the resulting shortage of manpower and money is likely to lead to low quality campaign literature and to lower votes, both of which would tend to reduce the amount of good publicity and new recruitment produced by the contest.

To ascertain the potential longer-term benefits is harder but, because we are involved in a long-term political struggle, it is the most important thing to work out. If the only benefits of contesting the next General Election were publicity, recruitment and

organisational growth, we would probably do better to put our money and effort directly into recruitment drives, cadre training and asset acquisition, and not bother at all with an election in which we can't win.

Fortunately, however, there are other very important gains to be made by contesting the General Election. The first is for us to build on the positive voter loyalty which the British National Party is now developing in a number of key areas. Yorkshire, Lancashire, the West Midlands and the M25 London suburbs in particular all have places where a very significant minority of electors now vote BNP not as a protest but as a matter of preference. They view themselves as "BNP" just as much as they or their parents once considered themselves "Labour" or "Conservative."

These people are used to seeing our name on their ballot paper, and to putting their X next to it. If we ducked out of the contest we would risk breaking their new voting habit, making it harder to win in their ward in the next big wave of urban local elections in two years time.

Straight away, therefore, this means that we need to contest every seat where we already have elected councillors, and pretty much every parliamentary seat where we have a realistic chance of winning in the next council elections. This imperative is not really altered by the fact that, even in many of these areas, we must realistically expect our existing local support and activist base to be outweighed by the money which will propel the UKIP campaign.

At first sight, this appears somewhat depressing, but it is only so if one falls into the trap of thinking about the short-term, rather than planning for the long haul. The starting point is to give a little thought to UKIP itself, in particular to work out why people are at present prepared to vote for it in serious numbers.

It is not because of any overwhelming public concern about the EU. Don't get me wrong, that concern is there, and rightly so; but although the threat from this monstrosity to our freedom and sovereignty is now greater than ever before, the media coverage of the issue over the last two to three years has been far less than it was five or six years ago. In 1999, the typical *Daily*

Mirror headline was about crazed Eurocrats forcing us to eat only straight bananas. Since about 2002, the typical story has been about asylum seekers jumping queues at our expense.

UKIP's success at the recent European elections was not on account of their opposition to the lunacies of the federalists. Not only was it not a pressing issue of public concern, but the BNP election address criticised the EU, Michael Howard made quite loud noises against Euro-federalism, and Tony Blair trumped all of us by promising a referendum on the Euro (which, to the average voter, means on the whole EU project).

SYPHON

No, UKIP did well because powerful elements within the Establishment saw them as the best possible way to siphon off potential BNP votes from the large section of the population which is now sick of Political Correctness and being taxed to death to pay for the transformation of our country into a crime-filled, foreign land where not a day goes by without the liberal elite or their imported pet minorities finding some new way to insult or exploit the natives.

In the long-term, therefore, the

important thing about the UKIP vote is that it was not a vote for them, but a vote against the old parties. It was in large part our vote up until about three weeks before polling day, and at some stage in the future it will be our vote again.

Over the next few years - until the single-issue, built-on-sand UKIP collapses under the weight of its own internal contradictions and leadership squabbles - we are likely to see this vote settle down to switching between UKIP and the BNP depending on the kind of election being fought.

In the big national contests, where money and media puffs outweigh activism, UKIP will have the edge over us in most areas. But in local elections, the day goes to good local candidates, with the backing of good campaign material addressing local issues, and activists prepared for the long slog of door-to-door paper sales and multiple canvassing sweeps. In those contests, we can always outfight UKIP if we are prepared to put in the work.

UKIP will do well nationally, the BNP will do well locally that's the most likely pattern of the next few years as popular disillusionment with the Established parties continues to grow.

Since real political power is always built steadily, from the grass roots up,





this is nothing which should worry us. As long as UKIP keep chipping away at old voter loyalties at the top, we'll benefit at the grass roots. And, when their lack of ideology and direction - and their faction-prone internal structure - lead them to implode, we'll be there, ready to pick up the majority of their activists and their votes.

There is a direct parallel in British politics already, with UKIP playing the SDLP to our Sinn Fein. It has taken the latter twenty years to come out on top

in nationalist areas of Northern Ireland, and they've not done it on account of IRA violence, but through dedicated community work, whatever the place or the weather, while their media-approved rivals only go out to play on sunny days at election time.

UKIP's likely better showing in the next General Election also holds no terrors for us on account of the fact that, just like us, they're not going to win it whatever happens. And this brings us to the most important long-term benefit that the British National Party is likely to get out of the contest: It isn't really about UKIP or us; it's about the Conservatives.

For decades, every serious political commentator who has sought to explain why Britain has not seen the rise of a seriously successful patriotic, nationalist party like the *Front National* has come to the same conclusion: The Conservative party has acted as an impassable road-block, by posing as sufficiently 'right-wing' on issues such as immigration, crime, tax and Europe to keep voters concerned about such things within the safe confines of Establishment politics.

All the hostility of the far-left, all the lies of the mass media, all the anti-free speech measures put forward by Labour governments haven't between them done the damage to our Cause done by the single word "swamped," uttered by Maggie Thatcher.

More recently, pressure on local Conservative Associations from top Tories like party 'chair' Theresa May has led to them fielding spoiler candidates to split the anti-Labour vote in dozens of local council seats which we would otherwise have won.

Given the credibility multiplication effect that even a relatively small number of wins give us, it is clear that the Tories play a very important role in the Establishment's co-ordinated drive to hold us back. Anything - even the hyping of UKIP - which weakens their ability to do so will therefore work in our favour in future.

NEXT MONTH: *Just how bad could the next General Election be for the Tories? Don't miss the analysis of these important questions and decisions subscribe today!*



VOTE STEALING: 'Tory Chair' Theresa May

The Changing Face of London

Nothing short of genocide, T. Fredericks describes how a once tight-knit Cockney community, original home of the Pearly Kings and Queens, has been virtually destroyed by multiculturalism

Up to the 1970-80s Somers Town had been a unique, closely knit community. It had grown up in the later half of the 19th century with the construction of Euston and St. Pancras stations. The area between the two stations was used to provide low quality housing, which inevitably became slums. However, in the 1920s a young clergyman, Fr. Basil Jellicoe arrived at the local church, freshly down from Cambridge; he was appalled at the living conditions of his parishioners. With the help of Edith Neville, a voluntary social worker, he set up the St. Pancras Home Improvement Society with the aim of pulling down the bug-infested houses of Somers Town.

Fr. Jellicoe was a born publicist who, if he was alive today, could teach Max Clifford a trick or two. He quickly gained support and funds from the rich and famous of the day, including notables such as George Bernard Shaw,

By 1926 sufficient funds were available to start the project and street by street the slums were demolished, being replaced by modern houses or flats. Each new home provided a bathroom, modern kitchen and electricity, all at affordable rents. A community centre and nursery were also provided, and a number of community groups and clubs were formed. The residents organised



cleaning rotas, taking it in turns to clean the balconies and stairwells of their flats. Woe betide any youngster who dropped a sweet paper on the floor. Everybody had their front door key hung from a piece of string in the letterbox, petty theft was unheard of.

By the end of the 1930s the Society had provided 600 new homes, and achieved this without breaking up the local community.

Somers Town was also the birth place of the Pearly Kings and Queens which was begun in 1875, by a small lad named Henry Croft who was born and raised in an orphanage in Charlton Street, London, NW1. At the age of 13 he had to leave the orphanage and make his own way in life. His first job was as a Municipal Road Sweeper in the local market.

He was particularly drawn to the Costermongers, who were a tough breed of market traders selling fruit and veg and named after a type of apple. He got to know more about their way of life, their generosity and their fashion of pearl buttons sewn on the piped seams of their trousers, jackets, waistcoats and caps. This showed their status as they worked the market stalls from day to day. The Costermongers were caring and looked after each other if they were sick or in need.

Fascinated by this way of life he decided he would like to help those who were more unfortunate than himself, including the children back at the orphanage where he had spent his early life. Many of the local hospitals also benefited from his efforts. He knew that in order to collect a lot of money he needed to draw attention to himself. So as he swept the market streets he started to collect all the pearl buttons he found that had fallen off of the clothes of people visiting the market, and when he had enough he started to sew them on his cap and then continued until his entire suit was filled, resulting in the now traditional Pearly King costume.

It is estimated that when he died in 1930 (aged 68), he had collected over £5000. The equivalent in today's values would be approximately £200,000.

His funeral was a spectacular affair, and was filmed by Pathe News. All of the Pearlys attended (roughly 400, including my grandfather) and they followed the coffin to Finchley Cemetery where he was buried. The charities that he had helped over the years all pulled together to help pay for a statue of him for his grave.

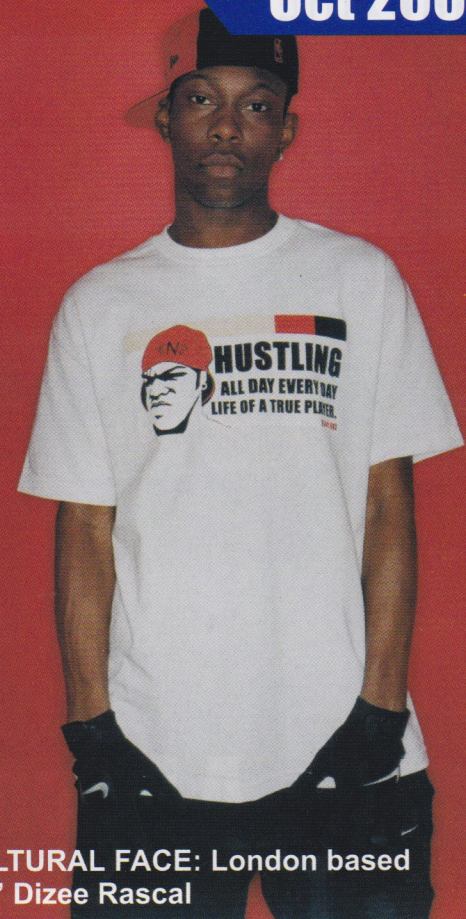
Unfortunately in 1995 the statue was vandalised (an example of the present lawless moronic society which the Old Gang politicians have created) and no longer stands in the cemetery. It has been replaced with a headstone inlaid with his photograph, so it can be easily found by visitors seeking a little bit of London's Heritage.

The statue has now been fully restored and can be seen in the crypt at the church of Saint Martins in the Field, Trafalgar Square.

EFFECTS OF THE MULTICULTURAL SOCIETY

However with the imposition by our ruling elite of the multicultural society and their liberalisation of law and order, life in Somers Town has changed beyond recognition. So much so that it was recently reported that using new powers to deal with antisocial behaviour, police have instituted zero tolerance patrols of the troubled Somers Town Estate. This includes dispersing gangs and imposing a 9pm curfew on under-16s.

Many of the elderly residents whose families have lived on the estate for generations, have been plagued with the noise of blaring music and incessant screaming. They



MULTICULTURAL FACE: London based 'musician' Dizee Rascal

have had to endure marauding gangs of teenagers acting out turf wars and intimidating local residents. Bullying and petty theft have been rife on the estate.

The two cycle paths that cut through the estate to avoid the snarling junction of Kings Cross have been the scenes of countless assaults. Groups of youths have strung washing lines across the path in order to garrote unfortunate cyclists as they rode by.

The estate has also become a haven for alcoholics and drug addicts, who leave needles and broken bottles in the grounds of the local primary school. They are also regularly seen injecting themselves in the stairwells of the flats. Youths stand on corners swearing, spitting and smoking drugs.

A couple of years ago a teenage gang of Bengalis stabbed to death a local white boy, Richard Everitt. His only crime was being in the wrong place at the wrong time. The police, true to their PC code, denied that it was a racially motivated murder.

Youths on stolen scooters screech up and down the streets until 3am. Recently a teenager was run over by a car in a gang-related crime and then the occupants got out and stabbed him three times in the chest.

Somers Town was always a Labour Party stronghold, and like most working class areas of Britain they now find that they have been let down by the party that claimed to represent them. In the 50-60s Mrs Lena Jaeger the local Labour MP could be seen driving around at election time with a loudspeaker perched on top of her Chauffeur driven Roll-Royce asking for votes. A portent of New Labour's brand of Champagne Socialism, if ever there was one!

It is sad to see this proud working class community disintegrate though no fault of its own. To see the quality of life for the local inhabitants, both indigenous and newcomers reach such a low ebb. The liberal fanatics who, at present, rule Britain have a lot to answer for!



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BNP leadership decide on our General Election target...

...A Record One Hundred Seats

One hundred parliamentary seats. That's the target for seats to be contested by the BNP at the next General Election. This will represent a big increase in the number of seats fought by the party in previous General Elections, and has been decided on for several reasons:

- ❑ First, it is obviously essential that we contest every seat in which we have a ward which has already elected a British National Party local councillor;
- ❑ Second, we must give voters the chance to support the BNP in every seat in which we seriously hope to win county council representation in May next year;
- ❑ Third, in areas where we aim to win seats in the next big wave of urban elections in 2006, we need to stand in the General Election in order to get people used to voting for us, and to use the Freepost to contact the potential extra activists we will need to launch an effective challenge for council representation;
- ❑ Four, there are an estimated dozen marginal seats at present held by 'right-wing' Euro-sceptic Tories where we expect UKIP either to stand aside or to pull their punches so as not to unseat them. In order to help push the Conservative party into further decline and leftward drift, we will be contesting these seats in the hope that even a relatively small number of BNP votes will hand them to the Liberal Democrats (see Nick Griffin's article starting on Page 4);
- ❑ Five, there are in addition a number of seats where, although we are not yet sufficiently well-organised to expect to win council seats, our vote "out of the blue" in the European elections shows that we have an unusually high level of support. We will be standing in these areas in the

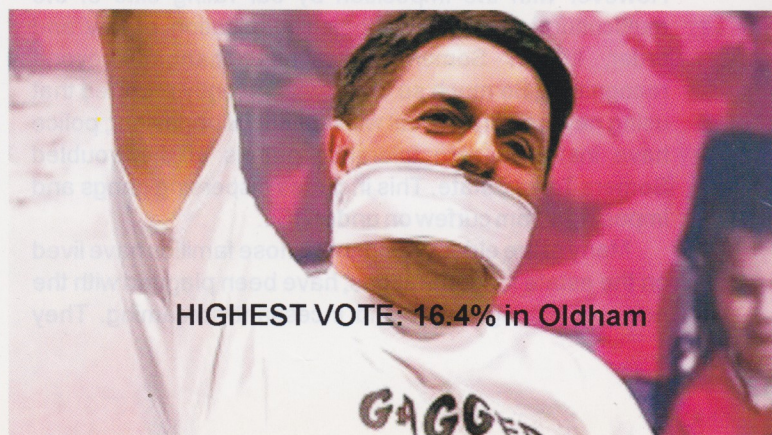
hope that our Freepost leaflet drop and subsequent Group Development work will attract enough new people to close these organisational gaps.

These first five considerations would suggest that we should look to stand in a total of about 85 - 90 seats, almost all of them in England. However, assuming that the threshold for obtaining a TV broadcast remains, as it is at present, 92 English seats, it obviously makes sense to go that little bit further and contest 92 plus a few spares to allow for any last minute problems. And while we're going for about 96, we may as well do just a little bit more and get into three figures.

BNP A SERIOUS PLAYER

This wouldn't overstretch us in an election in which we are highly unlikely to make a breakthrough, but at the same time it puts us up well above the host of minority parties and marks us down as serious players with an eye to the future, especially in our heartlands.

So, with these factors in mind, and assuming that there are no major changes in external circumstances - including the £500 deposit required per seat - in the coming months, our General Election target is 100 seats. Some of the money needed for this major effort will be



HIGHEST VOTE: 16.4% in Oldham

Community Politics - The BNP Motor

The question of the forthcoming General Election was discussed at length at the first meeting of the BNP's Political and Strategic Planning Group, held in the West Midlands at the start of September.

The PSPG has been formed to provide a forum in which a strictly limited number of key members, overwhelmingly with many years of political experience, can look at the big political picture facing us and advise the leadership accordingly. It is hoped that this will compliment the formally constituted Advisory Council, which tends to deal more with vital administrative and operational decisions.

It was agreed that our electoral strategy over the next two years must be geared overwhelmingly to making

the biggest possible impact in winnable County Council and Borough Council elections in May 2005 and 2006 respectively. Our General Election target has been decided with this in mind.

Reaching our 100-seat target in the General Election will help position us to win the maximum number of council seats. Contesting parliamentary elections at this level is mainly about money, while winning council seats is overwhelmingly about doing real community politics work such as helping local pensioners, cleaning up rubbish and building door-to-door paper sale rounds, months or even years before they come up, and relentless knocking on doors and canvassing during the campaigns themselves.



This means that there is no clash between contesting a record number of constituencies at the General Election and striving to win a record number of council wards over the next two years. One is the stepping stone to the other, so we're going national, in order to win locally, because embedding ourselves in local communities is the only way forward for a radical anti-Establishment party like the BNP.

raised centrally, and some at a local level in the constituencies concerned. While some of the seats will effectively select themselves, others will be decided nearer the time, with the record of local units in raising funds playing a part in those decisions.

With costings and decisions on some five million BNP election addresses still to be finalised, it is too early yet to say for sure what the overall cost of the campaign will be. With deposits alone coming to £50,000, however, our initial minimum overall target has to be £175,000.

This is substantially less than the overall amount raised for the European elections earlier this year, and with the membership growth the BNP has achieved since then

raising such a sum is well within our abilities.

But there's no time to lose. There is still an outside chance that Blair & Co will "cut and run" with a November election, before the housing market downturn inflicts too much damage on the 'feel-good factor' or Iraq turns even uglier.

More likely, the election will be next May, but even so we'll still have our work cut out to raise an extra £175,000 over and above the party's normal running costs, which includes things such as winning by-elections as well as administrative work.

So *Identity* asks every single reader to give as much as possible, as quickly as possible. Let's get the BNP's General Election Fund off to a flying start. Thank you all!

The Next Step...

Yes, I want to help ensure that the BNP can fight the biggest and best General Election campaign ever. Please find enclosed my cheque payable to 'British National Party' or 'British Heritage'

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Panem Et Circenses

David Hamilton comments on contemporary popular music and art and its manipulation by the political establishment

It is fifty years this year since Bill Haley recorded *Rock around the Clock*. This heralded a movement of separating "teenagers" from the customs and traditions of their families and communities. This was soon followed by Elvis, the image that set the style for the next decade, which was imitated by young people throughout the Western world. The music form was a combination of various American music forms, especially Country and Rhythm and Blues. It is exciting, produces mild delirium and a very conformative style of dress and behaviour. This music did not create the phenomena of the "juvenile delinquent" but used it for inventing images and selling them to a wider public, thus spreading the attack on traditional behaviour and values.

There have been many talented performers but their talent is always swallowed by the capitalistic music industry and marketed to young people as a commercial enterprise.

It is often used to inculcate a standard rebellious attitude, which was admitted by two of the most popular songwriters of the first phase, Leiber and Stoller.

This was the primitive phase, comparable to the stage of barbarism in a civilisation. It is raw, uninhibited energy, emotion and excitement but often with catchy tunes. Now here is one you can try at home. Those who doubt the facility of music to promote evil or good need only sit and listen to, say, "Heavy Metal" or "Gangsta" then perhaps some Tudor church music and compare the feelings and images that are aroused.

We are now in the third stage, the declining or decadent stage with talented musicians harking back to the past and not developing into the future. Rock music form has not developed beyond the classical stage and is a dying music form. Jazz by contrast has continued to develop and expand its boundaries. The classical period was the great burst of talent through the 1960's from 1963 when the Beatles

brought in an entirely different style of music, dress and attitude from their Liverpool roots. It was more open and genuine and lacked the distant stylisation of the Elvis commodity. The famous '60s began with clean-cut teen idols like Bobby Vee and Del Shannon and ended after such as The Rolling Stones, The Who, with the ground breaking Led Zeppelin.

ENGAGING

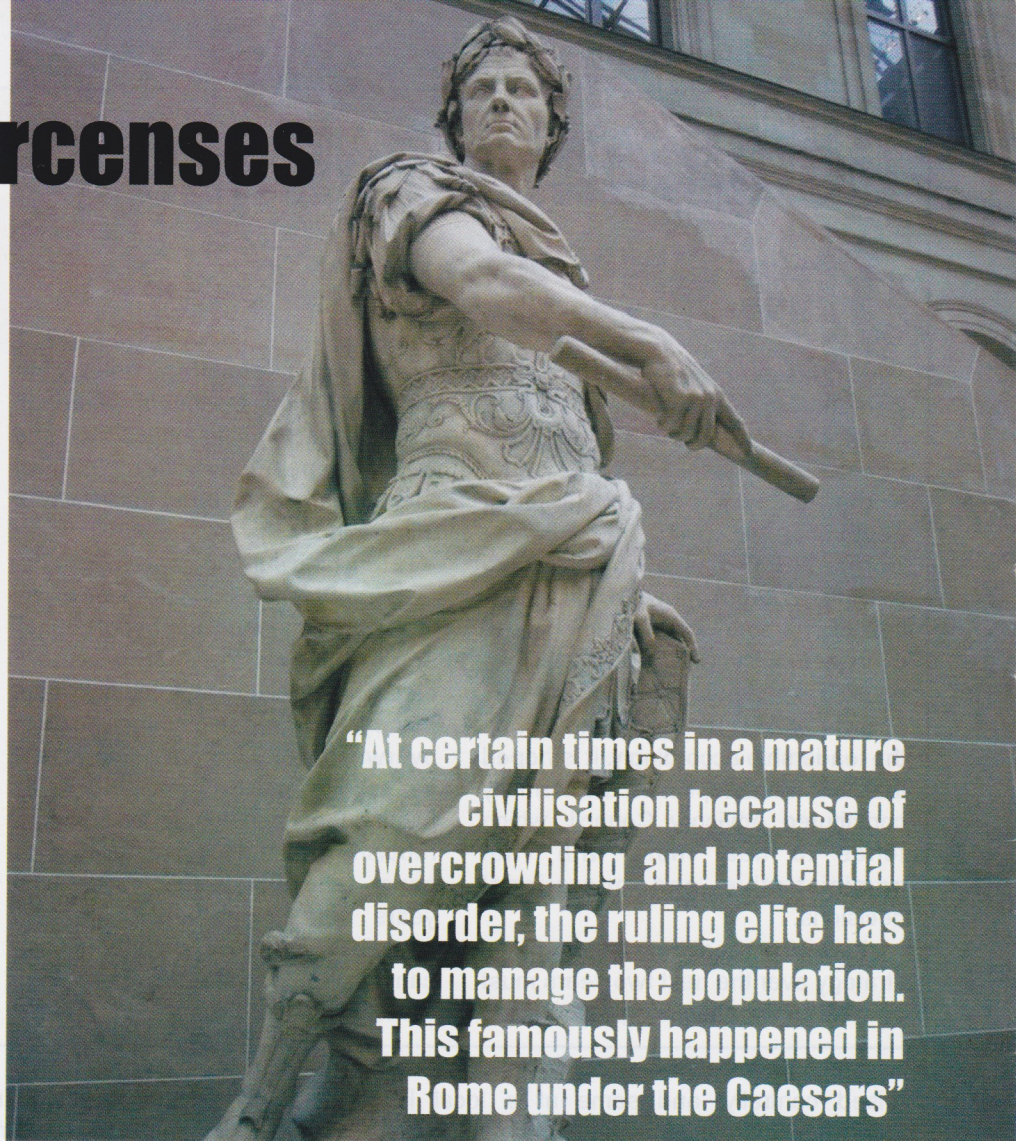
The Beatles were talented songwriters who produced captivating melodies sung in engaging harmonies, which instantly set the imagination working even though their early lyrics were mundane. They show how popular music can bring emotions to people's conscious minds from obscurity in the unconscious. This is not to the level of say Wagner and Beethoven but it can be beneficial in preventing a build up of negative emotion.

The Prime Minister Harold Wilson used them to present himself as relevant and modern as Tony Blair later used Oasis. They catch kudos from being associated with the

product.

At certain times in a mature civilisation because of overcrowding and potential disorder, the ruling elite has to manage the population. This famously happened in Rome under the Caesars. They inaugurated what the satiric poet Juvenal scorned in his tenth satire as Bread and Circuses (*Panem et Circenses*). The issuing of bread and then occupying the public with shows managed and controlled the people; now, the idea is to manipulate them into a way of thinking and behaving; it is part of Social Engineering, not just entertainment. It is the rulers nurturing the population into conforming to the blueprint for a new world built on the ruins of the old one and directed to an abstract Utopia.

These usually begin as wholesome pastimes but in a declining civilisation become corrupted. The Romans sank into a debased barbarism by slaughter in the Amphitheatre. Our current deterioration into barbarism makes use of images more than reality, though the emotional impact creates the sensation and can lead to the reality. As the French Sociologist, Jean



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Baudrillard has written, Western civilisation has lost its substance and is imploding in a surfeit of images. We are also lost in an unreal world of abstractions.

The state of a civilisation can be assessed by its art. There are deep similarities between our collapsing civilisation and the collapse of Greece and Rome. In each there is a coarsening of the presentation of the artistic subject, a shift from a deep explication of human behaviour and motivation to a sensational presentation of violent or lascivious action. This deterioration in moral refinement occurred in the plays of Euripides, whereas Socrates and Aeschylus dealt with the profound questions of life, of existence and our relationship to the Gods.

One of the first emotionally structured plays of all time, which influenced Aristotle in his definition of dramatic structure, was Oedipus Rex. This ends with Oedipus blinding himself off stage, the revelation of incest and suicide, which is a natural gathering up of both motivation and action and provides catharsis, the release of emotion, which is a social good for it prevents it festering and turning against the self or others. It is not degenerate or sensationalist because it deals with an aspect of fate and how the Greeks viewed the meaning of their lives. This differs

from modern artistic corruption, which is a focus on the surface action communicating not glimpses of God but feelings of evil.

Our modern manipulators are leading us into degeneracy. In a recent TV series *"I'm a Celebrity Get Me out of Here"*, simple people, described as Celebrities, were so degraded as to be led into eating live worms and stick insects. There are several levels to this: there is cruelty to lesser animals; encouraging children to eat insects and slugs in the garden; and the move towards ever more degradation of our people and culture.

LEGENDARY HYPOCRITE

On one series of this was the legendary rock star and anti-establishment figure Johnny Rotten, who achieved notoriety with the punk rock band the Sex Pistols. He has one of the best rock voices for years but behind the snarling and F'ing and Blinding at television cameras he lives in New York, drives a flash car, is married to an heiress and makes a fortune on the stock exchange. He is of course acting as he has been trained to, but he is also corrupting others while he enjoys his Establishment lifestyle.

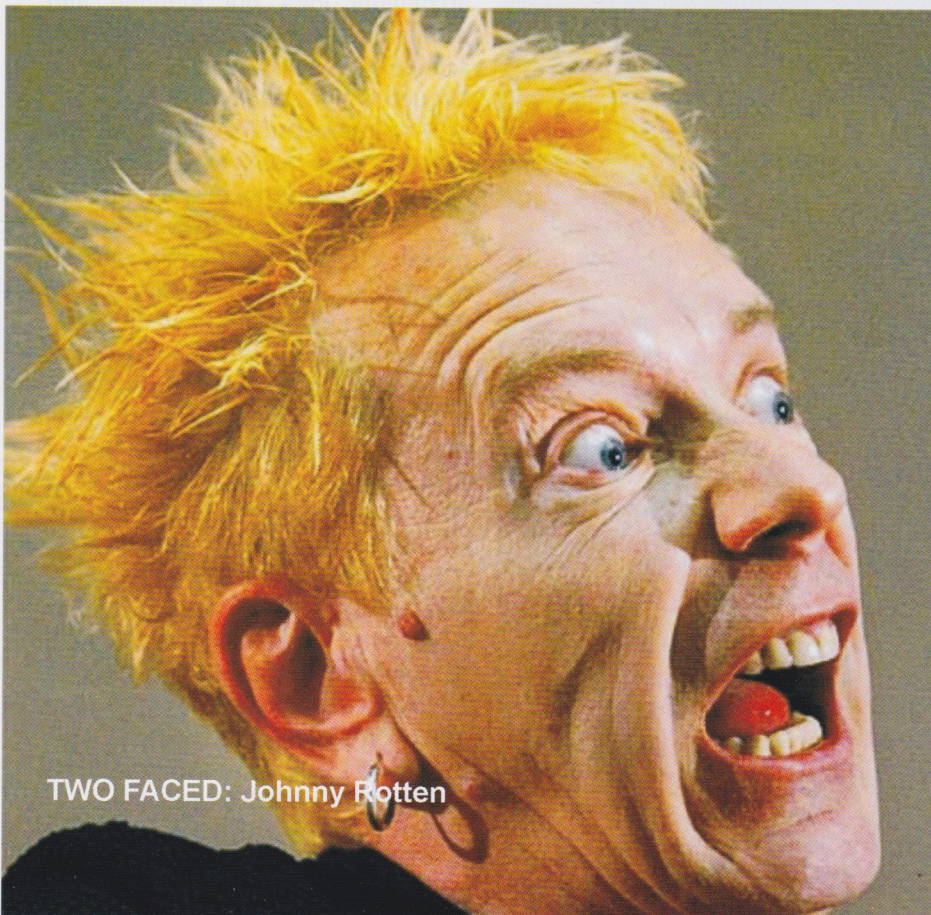
Many people think that the presentation of certain "lifestyles" in TV programmes is innocent, but they

are arranged and presented to be sympathetic and thus to change people's attitudes which is social engineering. There is a Utopian ideal in fashion and they manipulate people into accepting it. I do not watch the 'soap' *"Coronation Street"* which is promoting "gay" lifestyles, but it is not made by serendipity. It is planned, discussed in screenwriters' meetings: the "Goodies" are shown sympathetically and glamorously, every character they want us to imitate is attractive and cool; the "Baddies", those they want us to hate, the traditional ones, are thick and unlikable. It does not occur in a vacuum but in tandem with other developments and is helping to manipulate acceptance for the Government plans to equalise the sexual marriage laws.

A deep Satanic influence are the Hannibal films, which glamorise a cannibal. He is presented as intellectually superior, articulate, suave and cultivated, which is not how real cannibals are. In fact, the Church of Satan, which has about 30,000 members in California alone, has stated that their great rise in popularity is because people are being desensitised by popular culture. There is a rise in cannibalistic murders, which are a symptom of the self-hatred that has been inculcated into the Western soul and the lack of a restraining morality.

The one area where the human soul meets good and evil from the unconscious mind is in art. The proper function of art is the transformation of real, concrete subjects through the spiritual or emotional functions of the human mind. As an avid reader of the conservative thinker Edmund Burke I am often struck by the way people think that traditionalism is living in the past, trying to turn the clock back. Well, three years ago I went to an art exhibition in Birmingham and was disappointed to see how left behind these very ordinary people who pass as artists are. Someone had a photograph of herself sat on the loo. Back in 1979 the rock singer Frank Zappa had a publicity poster of himself sat on the loo!

Every year these time-warped artists stage a ritual by setting up an ordinary member of the public. The script is this: An elderly person takes a youngster, say grandchild or niece, to



TWO FACED: Johnny Rotten



an exhibition and is shocked by something on display, say an unmade bed or something that requires no imagination, and complains to the press. Then the curator is quoted as saying, "Art is to make people think, and to provoke feelings". This simple response has been used on every similar occasion for the last 30 years, almost without variation. These simple, state-funded clones are trying to hold on to a moment in time, which has gone.

I once went to the Ikon gallery in Birmingham, which is financed by money confiscated from those who do a proper day's work, as well as sponsorships. The young gulls there soon refused to speak to me. I pointed out that they are mass produced artists all attempting similar stuff. In fact they are used by the Arts Council to produce what the council asks them to produce or they do not get a grant. This is state art that is designed to degrade and destroy; so deep goes the hatred for our culture, our communities, our history and our traditions with the semi-educated middle classes who follow the tastes and standards set by the elite such as Saatchi.

Real Art is the transformation of a

concrete object in the real world through emotion or spiritual power of the artist. It is a human creation by one with finer sensibilities and powers of spiritual vision than the rest of us. It is not a means to degrade and destroy a people and their culture. That is to spread evil. The artistic faculty is a semi-unconscious process whence good and evil spread to the wider public.

This brings me to one of the paradoxes of our time. At the beginning of the twentieth century the modernist movement set about destroying the form and grammar of traditional art and thus the content, and made it both unintelligible to the populace and uninteresting to the intelligent. Like all modern movements it was predicated on destroying our traditions.

As a counter to this a form of popular culture developed and Hollywood film and rock music, provided a set of art and entertainment to fill the void. Much of this was light entertainment, but some was highly competent art. As an example, the greatest living poet in the mid 1960s was Bob Dylan. There is only space to mention one truly poetic experience:

"A Hard Rain's a gonna Fall" from his "Freewheeling" album (1962). This song was woven round the structure of a traditional border ballad Lord Randall, "and where have you been my blue eyed son, where have you been my darling young one". The poetic talent here is so strong that many of his songs stand up without music and can be read on the page. It was his roots in tradition that concentrated his talent.

ARCHETYPAL

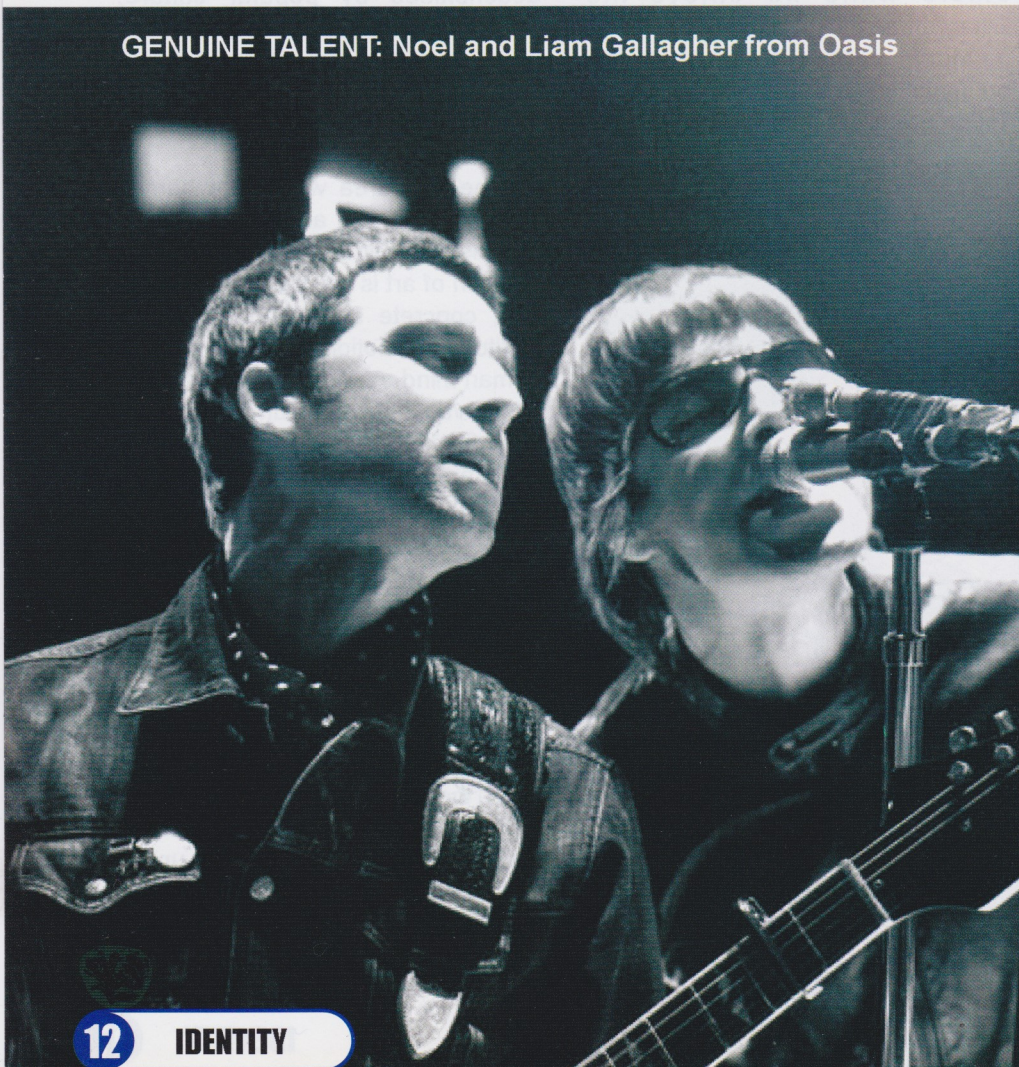
As I was writing this a track from the Oasis superb album of 1995, "What's the Story Morning Glory" came on the radio. It was "Cast No Shadow". Like a lot of things that develop it began from everyday causes. It is about the Rock singer and writer Richard Ashcroft who was so thin that when he faced the sun he "Cast No Shadow". This central idea is archetypal and has a mythological quality. To face the sun without casting a shadow! This is not just given to vampires but harks back to our human origins.

If the writer had a background in the traditions of English literature he would have been open to a wider range of techniques and had his vision developed and crystallised by examples from the world's greatest writers. Then Noel Gallagher would not just have had an un-developed archetypal idea but stepped into genius. This is the definition of genius: archetypal inspiration developed through a high tradition.

The innovative Rock guitarist Eric Clapton once took to advising his audiences that "Enoch was right" and that Britain was overcrowded. This raised a profoundly important point about culture and multiracialism which got lost in oppressive hysteria rather than explained in open debate. Those of us who were brought up on Black music as I was, have a great respect and admiration for those blues and soul singers who developed a deep and expressive music form to convey suffering that grew immediately from their own lives.

Clapton had black musicians in his band but understood a profound human truth - that enjoying different cultures and having friends from other ethnic groups is good, but that does not mean that we should try to force them together and destroy both.

GENUINE TALENT: Noel and Liam Gallagher from Oasis



Health Service Briefing #3

Dr Alan Cornwall reports on the latest from Britain's Health Service



Last year 40,000 nurses left the NHS, that's about 10% of the entire nursing workforce. Naturally, some staff will leave the NHS each year for perfectly understandable and mundane reasons, such as, maternity leave or retirement. However, this does not account for the staggering figure of 10%. It means that nurse training programmes can only just provide enough nurses to replace these yearly losses. Anyone who works in the NHS will tell you why so many nurses leave every year: poor pay, long hours, assaults, verbal abuse from patients and disillusionment with incompetent management.

Given this parlous state of affairs any reasonable person would think that the government's first priority would be to improve the working conditions of Britain's nurses. What is the point, after all, of training thousands of nurses only to watch them leave the profession, thereby wasting millions of pounds?

Tony Blair's response has been to simply import nurses from Third World countries to make up any shortfall. The Royal College of Nursing has recently pointed out that last year 1,500 nurses joined the NHS from South Africa with a further 500 coming from Nigeria. Not only does this do nothing to remedy the plight of British nurses, it also contributes to the decline in health care in Third World countries. Effectively it means that countries like Nigeria train nurses only to see them leave their country for better wages in Britain.

Our NHS is something to be proud of and our nurses are the best in the world. How about our government doing something really radical for a change? How about investing in British nurses, with decent pay, reasonable hours, zero tolerance of abuse - instead of stealing nurses from abroad.

AN EXPLOSION OF DRUG ABUSE

Meanwhile the government has unveiled a plan to reduce drug abuse in the North East of England. The plan involves police, local councils and other local services in a coordinated effort to tackle the cancer of illegal drugs in our society. 189 people died of overdoses in the region last

year. All BNP members will welcome the initiative and wish it well. What the plan does not do is address the wider issues involved in the explosion of drug use in our society in recent years. These are fundamental to the decline in our country: breakdown of the traditional family, lack of discipline, authorities turning a blind eye to drug dealing, underfunded police forces and ludicrous sentencing by out-of-touch judges. Let us not mince our words here. Drug dealers are preying on our young people, ruining lives, destroying communities and peddling in death. Any plan to eliminate drug abuse in our society has got to include a serious policy of bringing these people to justice and then locking them away for good.

HYGIENE PROBLEM

Finally this month a gem that I noticed on the BBC news website. Guess what? It's official: teenagers really don't wash their hands. A survey has discovered that nearly half of Britain's teenagers do not wash their hands after going to the toilet at school or before eating. Of those who do, 40% admitted not using soap!

The survey, by the Food and Drink Federation (FDF), states that teenagers washing habits are 'a potential recipe for disaster', risking food poisoning and other infections. To the average parent this is not exactly earth shattering news. I might also add that teenagers seem to have survived pretty well through the ages. There is a serious issue here, however, for hospital patients. Our hospitals are rife with so called superbugs, particularly MRSA. MRSA's main method of spreading is poor hygiene, particularly staff not washing their hands properly. It may be that the FDF survey has a message that might well apply to medical staff as well as teenagers.





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Opinion

I'm New, So Why Am I Here?

Jim Jones of Llanelli, South Wales, explains why he joined the BNP

I joined the BNP basically because I am afraid of the future, the way this once great country is heading. I think I am a bit older than many readers and over the years I have seen what was a gradual decline in the British way of life turn into a headlong gallop. We are like a load of lemmings heading towards the cliff edge and nobody seems bothered. Somewhere out there, I thought, there must be others who, like me, care about our great British heritage - but where are they? Here, in the BNP. And that's why I'm here too.

Possibly, like putting on weight, you don't notice things changing at first. Day by day, bit by bit, it creeps up on you. Sadly by the time it becomes obvious it's too late. That's happening today to Great Britain. Most people, content to plod along like the old carthorse, with blinkers over their eyes, haven't noticed the slippery path we are heading for.

I was lucky enough to have spent most of my 22 years in the RAF abroad, so I could see the change every time I returned home. It's like children; if you live with them you don't notice them growing up. Spend a year away from them and you say "Oh! Haven't they changed?." I spent years away and I could see Britain changing - for the worse.

There was the shock of going shopping in Birmingham after a year in Singapore. I'm sure there were more Asians in Birmingham than there were in Singapore.

I had just bought a scooter complete with crash helmet, but watched in amazement at the number of people legally allowed to ride without one. I had to obey the law of the land, they didn't.

I belonged to an animal rights organisation, which over the years had campaigned for humane slaughtering of animals. This became the law of the land. Then to our horror, we discovered certain groups, once again, did not have to obey the law of the land.

I was aware that if I went out on the street and threatened to kill someone I would be breaking the law. Imagine the shock of seeing groups of people openly calling for the death of Salmon Rushdie on the streets of Britain and the police just standing by. I, as a serviceman,

had to respect the Union Jack and stood to attention and saluted when it was being raised or lowered. If the flag was paraded down the street, ordinary people stood in respect. If I didn't show respect I would have been put in the guardhouse. Now I watched on TV as certain groups openly burned our national emblem on the streets of Britain.

I know a man who had two wives; that was until one found out about the other and told the police. He ended up in Swansea nick for a time. The reason for his spell behind bars was that in this country subjects are only allowed one wife under the law of the land. Imagine my surprise when I discovered that certain groups could legally have two wives.

ONE LAW FOR ALL

Many of my ex-service mates joined either the police or prison service. One in the prison service got told off for smoking in the recreation hall. When he pointed to a group of "gentlemen" at the other end smoking, he was told to cool it or he would be up in front of the governor.

Another friend who joined the police force wanted to form a White policemen's federation, as there was a Black federation already in existence. He ended up in deep water and was threatened with dismissal from his job.

Once upon a time there used to be a saying "One law for the rich and one for the poor." We fought for equality for all under the law. Where has that equality gone? One law if you are British, one law (or no law) for the rest. Strangely, whilst serving in other countries, I, though not a citizen, had to obey their law.

I was pulled up for smoking during the hours of daylight during the holy feast of Ramadan. In church we could not partake of communion, i.e. partaking of the bread and wine to celebrate the Lord's commandment at the Last Supper. Wine was against the law. We were not allowed to put a little 2-foot wooden cross on the tin hut we used as a church. It would offend the locals. (Yet right in the centre of London and many other Christian cities, we have massive

mosques.)

Four British firemen were arrested for having a Christmas tree in their hut. Even on overseas RAF bases, I had to allow time off for Muslim members of my crew to attend religious requirements. As for me, a regular attender and organist at the base camp, I was not allowed time off to attend my church - the official church of all British military personnel.

Last, but not least - what about the four Christians threatened with the death penalty. Their crime? They had taken a Bible with them into a Muslim country. The death penalty for being a Christian! Whilst in Rome do as the Romans do. Whilst in Britain the law only applies if you are British. All others can do as they wish - and laugh at us as they flout our law.

I joined because I am fed up of being a second rate citizen in my own country. I am here to support others who feel the same. I am here because I want the BNP to grow and help reverse this trend before it is too late.

HOW DO WE DO IT?

We have to attract more members from across the whole working spectrum. Young and old, rich and poor, workers and management, blue and white collar people, everyone who wants Britain British, and British law applied to all who love this country.

For many reasons some people have a poor image of the BNP. They generalise. Our opponents will grab any and every chance to blacken our name. Don't worry too much about that, the mainstream parties have been doing that to each other for years. The recent BBC documentary on the BNP was a perfect example of bias. I personally believe that half the things said in that programme should be taken with a pinch of salt. Only the other day someone I know (who is a member of the Conservative party) was picking up some empty fast-food containers dumped on his front lawn by people going home from the pub at night. He said, " If I could catch the sods who threw this rubbish here, I'd kill them." How often have you heard similar comments? As yet I do not think the person mentioned or the Conservative party have had their bank account stopped. The BNP is treated differently from other political parties; people have a certain image of us. We have to change that attitude.

NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

Before we can be accepted we have to be respected. Before any official leaflet is mass circulated it must tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Stirring up emotions can certainly get short term results, but if they are based on false assumptions, people soon lose faith in you and, in the long term, you will lose more than you gained. Think of a witness in a court case. He can give a hundred facts, but if one turns out to be untrue, the ninety-nine true statements all come under suspicion. He is classed as an unreliable witness, just for one error.

As an example: - One of our leaflets covering the subject of child murderers and paedophilia, a concern not just of BNP members, but of all other decent people, states that the equal age of consent and the TV, radio and press spewing out pro-homosexual propaganda has created a

climate in which paedophiles can operate freely. Attention grabbing stuff, but let's look a bit more closely at the leaflet and the facts surrounding this evil scourge of paedophilia. On the leaflet there are photos of six children, five girls and one boy. Add to these children the recent cases of Jessica and Holly of Soham. The dozens of young girls murdered by the paedophile in Belgium. The schoolgirl abducted from her hostel and murdered in France. The child taken through the bedroom window of her parents' caravan and murdered whilst on holiday on the East Coast. Have you noticed a pattern yet?

Girls, girls, girls. Sexually assaulted by men, men, men. All due to gay rights? Whilst the emotionally uneducated, like the mob that attacked the nurse's house on the South Coast because she was a "paediatric" nurse, will jump willingly onto this bandwagon, the people we need in the BNP are people who put their brains in gear before engaging their emotions. Feed decent people false facts and they will soon steer well clear of us and we will end up giving our enemies all the ammunition needed to say the BNP can't even get its facts right.

We all know smoking or being overweight is bad for one's health, but putting the two together and saying, "Smoking makes you overweight", does not make sense. The BNP has to have its foundation built on facts, and then it will grow. A party built on unsubstantiated emotional propaganda cannot be taken seriously. We have to win not only the hearts of the people, but also the minds. Today's people are used to propaganda and spin. Having had it shoved down our throats by politicians of all persuasions, people are wise to it and, if we wish to succeed, we had better not fall into the same trap.

SPIN? USE IT AT YOUR PERIL

No party will ever be perfect. No party will ever manage to keep all of the people happy all of the time. But considering the present political options, the BNP is the only party that puts Britain's interest first for the benefit of the British people.

I must comment on the recent statement by senior police officers regarding sacking police officers who are members of the BNP. I think this use of power to force people to change their political views is illegal. The fact that the BNP want to increase police numbers, power and spending should have the senior officers' support. Though one has to consider that with the BNP in power crime would drop and we wouldn't need as many senior officers. "Keep crime up and keep me in my job" seems to be their attitude. Considering the majority Labour has at the moment, it might be a good idea if they followed the example of senior police officers and outlawed membership of all government staff who wish to belong to the Conservative or Liberal Democrat parties. That should ensure them a win at the next election. A bit like Russia under Stalin, "You can vote for any candidate you wish - as long as they are Communist!"

OUR AIM. THERE CAN ONLY BE ONE; BNP MPs

MPs who will listen to the BRITISH public.

MPs who will stand up for the British people.

MPs who will put the "Great" back in Great Britain.



The North East Regional Assembly - The Thin End of an EU Wedge!

Kevin Scott reports on the BNP's 'No' Campaign

The campaign for Labour's proposed Regional Assembly for the North East is now in full swing following the distribution of a government information leaflet to every household and a full-scale advertising campaign raising awareness of the forthcoming referendum to be held on November the 4th. Many see the vote on the Assembly as a parochial issue relevant only to the North East or, at least, the North. At the last moment, Labour postponed the referendums planned for the North West and Yorkshire citing concerns about postal voting, but in reality fearing defeat before a probable General Election next year.

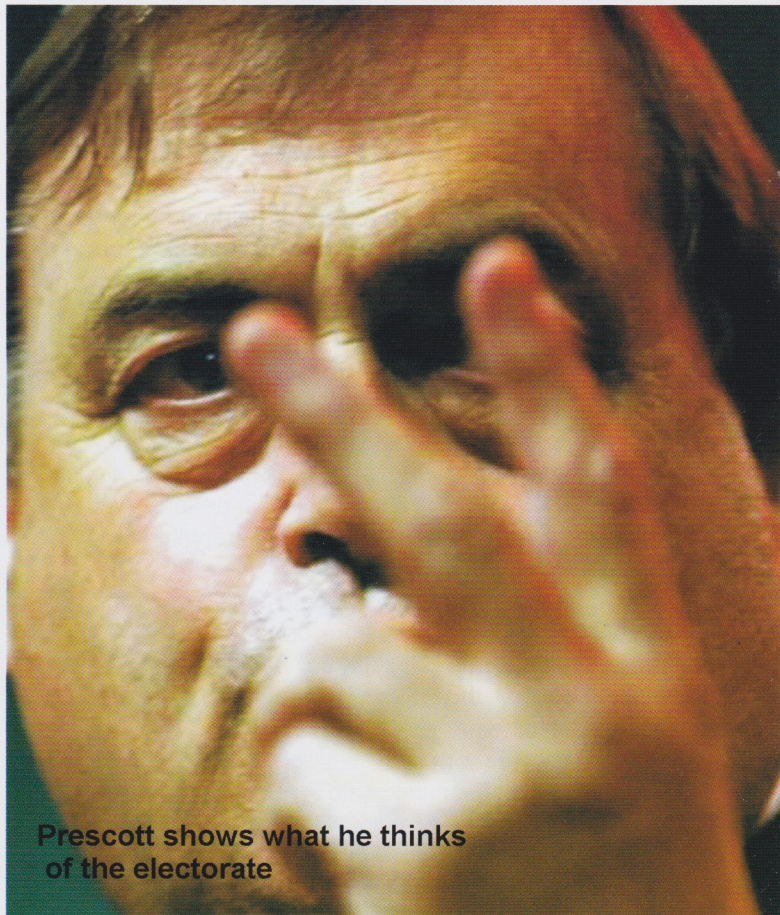
However, the vote has repercussions for the rest of the country as John Prescott, the Deputy Prime Minister and the man spearheading Labour's campaign, declared that this November's vote in the North East was crucial for the future of regional government across the rest of the country and needed to be won if the plan was to get off the ground.

WHY OPPOSE REGIONAL GOVERNMENT?

Surely, anything that leads to more localised decision-making is to be welcomed rather than rejected? True, so why doesn't Labour strengthen local government and bolster County Councils which are closer to the people and have a more traditional resonance than arbitrarily drawn 'regions' based on the boundaries of the European Union's parliamentary constituencies? Even in the North East, which is perceived to have more of a regional identity than most others, there is a good deal of difference between the Tweed and the Tees, with many historic rivalries (not least Tyne and Wear) betwixt the two. Just to confuse matters, the BBC includes Cumbria in the coverage it provides for the North East and many in Northumberland and County Durham do have more in common with that part of the North West than the urban areas of Tyneside, Sunderland and Teesside.

The principal reason why we should oppose regional assemblies lies at the very heart of this country's relationship with the European Union. In the drive towards the European Super State, the component parts of the proposed federal state, the historic 'old' nations, need to be broken up as 'regions' and a bureaucratic structure put in place, sidelining the national parliaments, that can administer the grants and laws which the EU so loves to dispense. Only then can a sham, cosmopolitan 'European identity' be built using the artificial regional identities as building blocks.

The BNP sees the motive behind this as an attack on the very integrity of our country. This view seems to be shared by other groups such as UKIP and the English Democrats and the politics of the respective lobbies for and against the North East Regional Assembly indicate the forces shaping up to do battle over our sovereignty and



**Prescott shows what he thinks
of the electorate**

the right to govern ourselves in our own land. The left/liberal Establishment in the North East, embracing big business, most of the media and the leadership of the main trade unions, make up the 'Yes' campaign, with an unhealthy dose of media luvvies and regional celebs dragged along for ballast.

The 'No' campaign (damned for its negativity before the start; by accident or design, you may ask) is mainly Tory, Eurosceptic or nationalist. Indeed, the politics of the 'No' campaign has been entertaining to watch as the manoeuvring over who will bag the £100,000 grant from The Electoral Commission has pitched Eurosceptic and 'metric martyr' Neil Herron against his former acolyte, John Elliot, now backed by the Tories. UKIP, in a nod to their roots, finally went back home and sided with the Tory stooges. The BNP held its nose and went it alone.

BREAD AND BUTTER ISSUES

Despite the ideological basis to the campaign, the debate over the Assembly will revolve around the 'bread and butter' issues of cost and the Assembly's powers or lack of them. The Assembly, provisionally based in Durham to avoid the tag 'Geordie Parliament', which serves only to alienate the denizens of Sunderland and the Tees Valley,

will cost an estimated £30 million to set up (the example of the Scottish Parliament does not bode well) plus an extra levy on the ever-Increasing Council Tax.

The Assembly will have no powers over the police, health, education and transport and no extra money will be spent on the North East. The Assembly will simply 'scrutinise' the existing amount. In other words, it will be nothing more than a talking shop, a retirement home for failed politicians, mainly Labour, no doubt well paid with our taxes for their trouble. The members of the Assembly will be elected by proportional representation and it will take around 10% of the vote (excluding, based on recent region-wide votes, smaller parties such as the BNP, surprise, surprise, and, probably, UKIP) to be elected.

In Tyne and Wear and Teesside, the Assembly will be another level of red tape, while in Northumberland and County Durham it will mean the end of County Councils. Bizarrely, or not, depending on your conspiratorial disposition, the government has tagged another question to the initial Assembly question in those two areas concerning the reorganisation of local government, dependent on whether the rest of the region wants the proposed Assembly. Quite simply, Tyne and Wear and Teesside, if they vote for the Assembly, could bounce Northumberland and County Durham, who could vote against, into a local government reorganisation they don't want.

The final controversy rests with the discredited 100%

postal vote the government has insisted be used to give the referendum some credibility. Using the ballot box, the turnout would be derisory because there is little interest in the whole scheme, despite the best efforts of the government's friends in the media. A postal vote will ensure a higher turnout and make it easier to manipulate the voters over the two week period between the distribution of the ballots and the final counting.

No wonder 'Two Jags' Prescott looks so smug these days!



WHITE ELEPHANT: The Scottish Parliament



Once the second most prosperous nation in Africa, dictator Mugabe's Zimbabwe sinks even further towards a Stone Age culture with the news that the collapsing health sector has introduced ox-drawn ambulances to ferry sick people to health centres in rural areas. A Health Minister is reported as saying: "At many state hospitals the only drug you will find is Panado (a form of Anodin). An ox-drawn ambulance will thus be a big luxury."

Meanwhile, the Zimbabwe News Service has reported that the Government has banned the colour red from the state-run national television because it is the official colour of the opposition party the Movement for Democratic

Change, who Mugabe cheated out of winning the last election. Red is also the colour of the Aids ribbon.

Most of Zimbabwe's problems stem from the often-violent seizure of white-owned farms for reallocation to black Zimbabweans. Many were Mugabe's cronies who have let the farms lie fallow, with the result that the country's agriculture-based economy has been decimated.

Once fertile farmland now has the desolate look of a junkyard; farm machines that used to rumble through fields now stand idle, broken down or plundered for components.



Vital Reading For Would-Be Councillors

Richard Mulhall gives advice based on his experiences as a BNP councillor in Halifax

With the British National Party's continued success in local Government elections, including victories in two recent by-elections in Keighley and Dagenham, there is no doubt that some BNP branches have the necessary knowledge to fight and win elections.

However, for the British National Party to continue climbing up the political ladder it is essential for our councillors and potential candidates to understand the importance of their role as councillors and spokesmen for their community.

Our opponents are constantly watching over our shoulders hoping that we make silly mistakes or fail in our duties as elected officials, yet Labour, Conservative and Liberal Democrat councillors abandoned their responsibilities to our people many years ago.

It is only the appearance of the British National Party as a genuine patriotic alternative to the old parties that these failures have resurfaced, begging local folk not to vote for the BNP!

One of the reasons our councillors are subjected to such close scrutiny from the other parties, has very little to do with them disagreeing with our policies and everything to do with us threatening their cosy existence as do-nothing councillors.

Over the last few months, several of our councillors have been working on a BNP councillors' guide book, to help future successful candidates ease into their roles as new councillors.

Newly elected councillors can, if they so require, receive guidance and training from council officers, but it is our opinion that the training given is wholly inadequate in preparing you in your new role as a ward councillor.

For anyone who is serious about becoming a councillor, it is essential that you find out when your council meets and attend the meetings as and when they take place. This will familiarise you with council procedure and help to make your entry into local politics much less intimidating.

It is also very important that you get to know how your local council operates; here in Calderdale our council is run by a 'cabinet system' which consists of the following:

Council Leader (normally the leader of the largest party)
Deputy Leader

Portfolio Holders
Schools and Children's
Corporate Services
Community Services
Regeneration and Development
Health and Social Care



Councillor Richard Mulhall

At present, all seven cabinet places are held by Conservative councillors because the Labour party refused to take their allocation and the Liberal Democrats wanted more than the two seats that the Conservatives offered them.

The Cabinet meets weekly to discuss and vote on proposals that have been drawn up by unelected council officials. If a councillor is unhappy with a decision taken by the Cabinet (and many are) they can call in the decision to be looked at by one of the five Scrutiny Panels, which are:

Schools and Children's Scrutiny Panel
Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel
Community Services Scrutiny Panel
Regeneration and Development Scrutiny Panel
Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel

Scrutiny Panels consist of seven councillors taken proportionately from each political group and the Group Director (a well paid civil servant) and it is within these panels that the real work of scrutinising decisions and the council's performance is done.

If councillors are still not happy with the decision then they have the power to bring it to the attention of all the councillors at a full council meeting, where a vote will be taken; unfortunately the Cabinet can if they so choose press ahead with their original decision. That is why it is so important that the BNP increases its number of councillors and is therefore able to take seats in the Cabinet.

All serious BNP branches should not only be selecting their future candidates but be asking them which Scrutiny Panels appeal to them. For example, if someone has an interest in how our elderly people are being neglected, then the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel is where they would be most effective. Here in Calderdale most of

BNP On A Roll!

Dan Kelley (Centre) on the night of his win



Over 50 per cent in Dagenham and Keighley

our future candidates attend the Scrutiny Panels that interest them, whereby when they are elected they will have the necessary experience to make an impact almost instantly.

We also make it compulsory for anyone wanting to be considered as a future candidate to attend full council meetings, not only does it give them valuable experience, but it gives our hardworking councillors support and encouragement inside the council chamber.

There will be some readers that find the thought of becoming a BNP councillor daunting and they may feel that they aren't capable of taking on such responsibilities. That may be so in a few instances, but, I believe that most BNP members stand head and shoulders above the other parties and candidates because we as Nationalists have a love for our people and our country while the other parties hate everything British.

Those of you who have been actively involved in Nationalism for years will know that within this country there has never been a better opportunity for us to make huge gains in towns and cities the length and breadth of Britain. There is no doubt the British people are slowly awakening from their slumber.

At the same time, the British National Party is maturing and evolving into a party that is serious about and capable of bringing about the necessary changes that the decent, hardworking, law-abiding majority wish to see happen. It is therefore absolutely vital that organisers and branches read and digest the *Councillors' Guidebook* and prepare themselves for local Government.

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First came the news that Angela Clarke had won the Keighley local by-election in Guardhouse ward with 180 votes (53%) against 158 for a so-called 'independent'. This 'independent' in fact evolved after a meeting in January of Labour, Conservative and Lib-Dem party managers called by Ann Cryer, the Labour MP for Keighley, on how to stop the electoral advance of the BNP. The voters saw through this ploy.

Without diminishing Angela Clarke's magnificent result, the victory obtained the following week in the Goresbrook Ward for Dagenham and Barking was even more stunning, with its 1072 votes for Daniel Kelley of the BNP to give 51.9 per cent of the poll., which broke that presumed 'glass-ceiling' of attainable votes. The result was: BNP 1072; Labour 602; UKIP 137; Conservative 111; Lib-Dem 85; Green 59. The by-election in Goresbrook with a BNP candidate pushed turnout up by 8.5%.

The result in this Goresbrook by-election, taken with the recent Valance by-election in Barking & Dagenham, reveals the Labour and Liberal Democrat vote in steep decline since 2002, by nearly 30% apiece. So much for the Liberal Democrats benefiting from tactical anti-BNP voting, they along with the Greens failed to even gain 5% of the vote, despite the Lib Dems winning Goresbrook from Labour in 1999.

UKIP VOTES COLLAPSES

The result in the Goresbrook by-election for UKIP is also truly abysmal. Having achieved 21.1% of the vote in the European Elections in the Barking & Dagenham district, their vote has collapsed utterly in just three months.

The Goresbrook and Valance results indicate that the votes gained just three months ago at the European Elections significantly underestimate the attainable electoral support for the BNP and with a vigorous BNP campaign many more council seats across all parts of London are there for the taking. *Statistics and analysis supplied by Tony Lecomber, Group Development Officer.*



John Bean's Nationalist Notebook

Bring Our Soldiers Home

Last year three British soldiers in Iraq shot dead an Iraqi who was trying to bludgeon their troop commander to death. Now their actions are being legally challenged not only by military investigators far from the realities of battle, but by the non-military Crown Prosecution Service, who are now charging the three soldiers with murder!

The troop commander was long-serving Sergeant Steve Roberts, who was attacked as he lay mortally wounded after being struck by friendly fire. He had earlier been ordered to hand his body armour to another soldier who had none. The Prosecution's case for murder is that the three soldiers shot the Iraqi after Sgt Roberts was dead. As a *Sunday Telegraph* heading put it: "You are a British soldier. Don't shoot, you die. Shoot, you live oh, and you may be charged with murder. You have one second to decide."

No wonder British soldiers in Iraq are not only furious, but despondent. Several officers have reported that this incident is seriously affecting morale and fighting efficiency.

New Labour, with full Tory approval, has left our men in this murderous environment with no foreseeable way out (the Lib-Dems would have them stay there under the United Nations flag). Nearly 70 Britons and over 1000 ordinary Americans have died in order to protect American oil interests and protect Israel. It is not in British interests. We should bring our troops home to keep an eye on terrorists within our midst.

Speaking The Unthinkable

Is it just a touch of arrogance that goes with old age, but I often think that there are more stupid people around than there were twenty or more years ago and I am talking about our fellow whites. I was interested, therefore, to read that a leading Danish psychologist, Prof Helmuth Nyborg, the Dean of the Psychology Institute at Aarhus University had come to a similar conclusion.

He is a strong believer in intelligence being hereditary. He has caused outrage in liberal circles by stating that: "The 15 to 20 per cent of those at the lower levels of society those who are not able to manage even the simplest tasks, and often not their children, should be dissuaded from having children. The fact is that they are having more children and the intelligent ones are having fewer."

Prof Nyborg said he was raising the issue because average intelligence was falling in Denmark and the problem needed to be addressed. "The statistics show that more highly educated women use their time studying and at work before having children," he said. "We could reduce the work-load of intelligent women and simply pay the less intelligent not to have kids."

Needless to say, he has been subjected to much abuse and his views equated with the Nazis, particularly by Berthel Haarder, the Danish immigration and integration minister. Prof Nyborg insisted that his proposals could not

be likened to extermination policies. "Hitler didn't believe in eugenics. He just wanted to exterminate individual groups, and in fact exterminated the most intelligent among them."

Massacre Of The Innocents

It will take a long time to forget the images of half-naked children, many of them wounded, running for their lives from the Beslan school in Southern Russia, and the burnt and shattered bodies in the wreckage of the gymnasium of other children and their mothers and grandmothers. Many of those who died in this massacre of the innocents were shot in the back as they tried to escape by grinning Muslim terrorists.

Those terrorists, including Arabs, were not just 'fighting', if that is the word for child killing, for Chechen independence, but for the long term objective of an independent Muslim state including all the states in the southern part of the Russian Federation that have a significant Muslim population. The religious fundamentalists (not necessarily supported by moderate Muslims) have no compunction in whom they kill to achieve their objectives; as Christian and Animist Africans in Southern Sudan, or Western civilian workers in Iraq, also know.

However, there are sensible Muslims who realise the damage that barbarism is doing to their faith. Abdel Rahman al-Rasheed, Director of the al 'Arabiyya TV network in Saudi Arabia, commenting on the Beslan massacre, has called for Muslims to put an end to a history of denial and recognise that: "It is a certain fact that not all Muslims are terrorists, but it is equally certain, and exceptionally painful. That almost all terrorists are Muslims . . . terrorism has become an Islamic enterprise; an almost exclusive monopoly implemented by Muslim men and women."

He added that "neo-Muslim" radical clerics "reinvent themselves as revolutionary ideologues, sending other people's sons and daughters to certain death". He especially attacked Yusuf al-Qaradawi as one of these radical hypocritical Muslim clerics. While proclaiming that Islam is a religion of mercy and peace, he issues fatwas permitting the killing of American civilians in Iraq. While inciting young Muslims to suicide bombings that kill civilians, his own daughters study in the safety of "infidel" Britain.

Yet when Qaradawi visited Britain this summer he was applauded as a moderate Muslim leader by our Establishment!

'Mandy' in a Quandry

Now that Peter Mandelson has taken up his post in Brussels as a European Commissioner he is faced with a problem. He cannot claim the generous allowance that is available for his "other half", his long-term Brazilian

boyfriend, Reinaldo da Silva, unless he "formalises his union" with him.

A Brussels official said: "We have not had such a case before, but the rules state that if you have access to gay marriage, you must avail yourself of it in order to get this allowance. In Belgium we have gay marriages and we offer equal rights to gay couples."

If the loving couple plight their troth, Mandy will pick up a head of household allowance worth an extra 2 per cent of his £144,000 a year salary plus almost £100 a month.

Incidentally, why is it that Tony Blair puts up with Mandelson after his two resignations, unethical behaviour over his London house purchase, and the passports for favoured Indians affair, and now being rewarded with a prime seat on the Brussels gravy train? Has Mandy some sort of hold over him?

Politically Correct Police Have Lost Respect

It has been a long standing tradition amongst nationalists - at least those with a brain - that our instincts cause us to support the British police, even when the Establishment's laws force them to take action against us. In the same manner that the general public's respect for the police has been eroded over the past decade, particularly as they have been seen to take the easier option of persecuting motorists than tackling hard criminals, nationalists now feel that the police have become an adjunct of New Labour in its Soviet-style persecution of the BNP. Typical of this is the decision by the Association of Chief Police Officers that officers who are in the BNP will be sacked.

Contrary to race relations laws the police chiefs have allowed the existence of a Black Police Officers' Association, although a White Police Officers' Association would be illegal (Similarly, a Black Teachers' Association is permitted). We also see a speed up in the campaign to promote ethnic minority police officers ahead of white colleagues through 'positive discrimination' policies. It began with the Metropolitan Police, but the Labour lackies of the Association of Chief Police Officers, with the full backing of Blunkett's Home Office, are now going to extend this discrimination against white officers throughout England and Wales.

The scheme would also see selected black, Asian and female officers given entry into the police service not as constables, but in promoted posts up to the rank of Inspector. This would mean that they would bypass the usual training and qualification requirements that white officers are forced to comply with and would be fast tracked to senior positions within the police solely on the basis of their racial ancestry or sex.

Of course the administration and training to achieve the new politically correct police force is costing the predominantly white tax payers millions of pounds. Further costs will be incurred when *rural* police forces have been duly politicised by the ACPO's commissars. This has already started in Devon and Cornwall Police where officers are advised to "distinguish between white victims and those from the ethnic minorities". If two such people suffered identical crimes, the black victim should take precedence because he was regarded as being 'vulnerable' and more in need of police assistance.

No wonder there is growing discontent among long serving police officer: and not just among those who are now 'secret' BNP members.

Turkey's Muslims 'Threaten EU Values'

It is encouraging to note that there are now even Commissioners within the EC who recognise the demographic danger that is threatening Europe as Third World migration continues apace. One such is Fritz Bolkestein, a former leader of the Dutch liberals.

He set off a furious row (of course) last month after warning that Europe's Christian civilisation risked being overrun by Islam.

He said the European Union would "implode" in its current form if 70 million Turkish Muslims were allowed to join. He predicted that Turkish accession would overwhelm the fragile system and finish off any lingering dreams of a fully-integrated European superstate.

He compared the EU to the late Austrian-Hungarian empire, which took so many different peoples on board in such a haphazard fashion that it eventually became ungovernable. That is exactly one of the main reasons why the BNP opposes the EU concept, and not because we are 'anti-European'.

Calling demography the "mother of politics", Bolkestein said that while America had the dynamism to remain the world's only superpower, and China was the rising economic power, Europe's destiny was to be "Islamised".

He quoted the American author Bernard Lewis warning that Europe would become an extension of North Africa and the Middle East by the end of the century.

Asylum Meltdown in Middle England

The *Sunday Times* reports that the government has been forced to admit its policy of dispersing asylum seekers across Britain has backfired, causing social problems that threaten to become "critical", according to a leaked Whitehall document. Taking Peterborough as one example among many, an official analysis of the effect of asylum seekers and other migrant workers tells of rising lawlessness, chronic health problems, disruption to schools and resentment from local residents.

Peterborough was one of the main areas selected by the Home Office in 2000 for asylum seekers moving from London. The Home Office says about 400 asylum seekers were transferred to the city, although the council says there are more than 800 'refugees' and more than 4,000 migrant workers.

A BIGGER IDENTITY

Reflecting the growth of the BNP, with this issue *Identity* has been expanded to 28 pages. As long as subscriptions and Branch sales continue to increase we hope to maintain these extra pages. You can help by renewing your subscription now!

We are also pleased to announce that the Party's newspaper, *Voice of Freedom*, has also added an extra four pages as from the October issue.



citizens of 78 states may join us Britons and vote in the UK. The latest Register of Electors form requires the householder to give his nationality. Is there an ulterior motive in this?

R.Tandy
King's Lynn

Why We Must Soldier On

I would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the activists, organisers and members of the Party. In particular that of our leader Nick Griffin who carries most of the weight of the party's difficult times, even though they are often out of his control.

I have only met Mr Griffin a few times but believe he is very honest and a genuine human being. Being human and like the rest of us there must be times when you feel low, frustrated, disappointed or even angry. Many men would crumble and give up, but Nick Griffin is a strong determined man.

No matter who we are; working class, middle class, rich, poor uneducated or academic, he stands for our culture and our nation. Without trying to sound dramatic he is our King Alfred, our Nelson (standing against the odds) and we should be grateful to have him and the many like him in this party.

Since I have been involved with the BNP I have come to realise that we do not live in a free country. After centuries of sacrifice, so that we can have freedom and quality of life, it has been betrayed by some of our own people. For the people who are blind to this, it will be their children who will suffer in the future. Not us.

Many people's response is to give up and move to another country. However, most 'ex-pats' eventually want to come back to live in Britain. What will be left? If all is lost then at least we in the BNP are lucky enough to grow old knowing that we went down fighting as true Britons. That is why we must soldier on.

Lee Urquhart
Runcom

Cheer up Lee! I have been fighting, on and off, for 52 years and we are not going to go down, for there is no stopping a movement whose time has come! John Bean, Editor

Free Speech Under Attack

In today's liberal democracy we are all supposed to be free to express ourselves in any way we please, within the law. We are supposed to have the right to stand up and be counted and to speak out. The reality is very different: the right not to be offend by what anyone has to say is now deemed to be greater than the right to free speech itself. Nowadays if there is anyone, of any ethnic or religious minority, who objects to your opinions then the full weight of the Establishment comes down on you like a jackboot.

What kind of a democracy is it that prevents its own citizens from expressing their opinions on what is good for their own country? If we are going to put the failed multiculturalist experiment behind us, then there must be an acceptance that the will of the majority takes precedence over the objections of the minority.

The current liberal Establishment is, at present, slowly dismantling the rights of native Britons to speak freely, and to be represented in the 'democratic' process. They are indirectly assisted by the globalisation of culture, which has come about significantly, but not exclusively, through recent advances in communications technology which have facilitated an artificially accelerated proliferation of superficial or stereotypical fragments of foreign culture via the media. These fragments are then put together in a way that distorts and exaggerates the over-represented in fictional television and film drama and conspicuously in roles of authority or intellectual standing. Hip-hop culture and all its inarticulate posturing is depicted as 'cool'; Muslims are presented as saintly defenders of human rights. The overall effect is to give the impression that we live in a multi-coloured melting pot of mutually tolerated diversity. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Jonathan Boak
Milton Keynes

Letter From A Glasgow Mum

The media like to blame the BNP for

all the evils of the day, but it is my belief that the BNP are here and growing because of the problems caused by the liberal capitalist actions of the political establishment.

I left school at sixteen to work in the catering trade and worked with people from all around the world. Interestingly their comments were all similar: what a wonderful but stupid country this was. I became aware of their cultures and traditions and the countries they happily left behind. I felt proud of this free and liberal society I was born into. However, when I had my son, like most new mums I started to become more aware of the real world. I wanted to bring my child up in a country where laws are obeyed and along with rights come responsibilities.

The sad reality of being a mum these days is that much of your time is spent fearing for your child's safety because insane laws allow paedophiles to be returned onto our streets time after time. When they become teenagers a night out fills you with dread because of this rampant unchecked gang knife culture and because drug rules have been relaxed. Like others, I can only do my best and thankfully my son is now twenty, finishing a degree at university, is a non-smoker, non-drinker or drug taker. He is also very much a BNP supporter, which makes me even prouder!

My father fought for this country in the Royal Navy to retain the freedoms that are now being stolen from us. He didn't think life owed him a living and worked hard all his days. He had not had to visit a doctor since 1951 but in 2002, aged 78, he was savaged by cancer. He badly needed pain relief and care, but we could not find him a hospice bed until 48 hours before he died. This hospice has to rely on donations to survive. What a sad reflection on this nation when we can spend £37 million on hijackers from Afghanistan yet have to beg for aid to support our old folk in their last hours.

I want to look forward to a safe future for my child and his children to come. I did not join the BNP because I hate but because I love my culture, identity and my freedoms. Please keep up the hard work.

Margaret Ashburn
Glasgow

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Mapping Out A Winning Strategy

By Tony Lecomber head of Group Development



For the BNP not only to win, but to win consistently, we must look again at the twin pillars of our long-term approach the ladder strategy and canvassing. And we have to do so within the context of our electoral horizon. Aside from the odd by-election, this is dominated by two facts: Firstly there are almost no District or Borough Council elections next Summer; secondly that there is likely to be a General Election next year, although precisely when, we know not.

As explained in my article last month, *June 10th What happened?*, the ladder strategy gives a clear electoral route. The goal is election to higher sets of elections such as our Westminster Parliament. To achieve this, the ladder strategy posits election to lower sets of elections first Council elections. The reason for this is that striving for bigger elections without an established lower base of support will be unsuccessful without massive media backing, which the BNP will never get.

Once election has been achieved in at least several local wards, it is possible to start thinking about fighting to win at Parliamentary level. Why? Because the base of support has been built up we know where our support is and we can go back and tap into it. How? Because we've canvassed the

wards that make up the constituency and we know where our voters are.

This leads me on to the General Election next year. Because of our higher percentages at local level, there is a feeling amongst some members that we could do very well, and in a couple of cases, secure a second place. After a few beers, the more excitable then go on to talk of an outside possibility of winning. Well yes, it's an outside possibility, but then so is the prospect of this writer winning the lottery. It's such an outside possibility that it's not going to happen.

We need to keep our feet firmly on the ground by reminding ourselves that in this Summer's Euro elections we didn't do as well as we hoped, not withstanding the fact that 808,000 votes was an impressive vote tally and a huge increase on what we managed before in 1999.

GENERAL ELECTION

There are a number of Parliamentary seats, mostly in Yorkshire, Lancashire and the West Midlands, that will produce a good result for the party and some of these showed, when the Euro vote was broken down to constituency level, encouraging mid-teen percentages.

Our best Parliamentary seat based

upon the number of council seats held in it is Burnley. Question: how many of these council wards have been canvassed? The answer is none! The same is true in Stoke and in Bradford. In these three towns and cities, the natural feeling and sympathy for the BNP is streets ahead of anything anywhere else in the country.

In these areas, so long as all the parties are doing the same thing - i.e. leafleting in the regular round of Council elections - then we can win. The moment a Council *by-election* comes up then we haven't got a chance because, with respect to the activists in question, too few people either know how, or are prepared, to canvass. But a by-election means an intensive effort from the other parties whereby they will canvass and thus beat us.

Object lessons in this came in both Burnley and Stoke last year. BNP candidate John West in Stoke, Abbey Green ward took 782 votes for 31.7% just 60 votes short of winning. Andy Kenyon in Burnley, Hapton-with-Park ward came even closer with 777 votes for 32.6%, just 11 votes behind the winner.

In Burnley in particular, Head Office urged, and offered extensive help with, canvassing but the then key local figure thought he knew better and rejected the idea. At the last minute, it was accepted by the hard-working activists in the town that his half-baked 'plan' would let us down, and that canvassing was needed to keep up with the intensive Lib Dem campaign. But it was all too little, too late, which was a shame because it can be seen clearly in hindsight that a proper canvassing campaign would have won us the seat.

What is annoying is that none of this should have been seen in hindsight at all. A by-election is an obvious invitation for an intense and concentrated campaign and parties that are serious in their desire to win put the work in by canvassing. They did, we didn't. We lost. Given the close nature of the results in both Stoke and Burnley, it is crystal clear that had the correct type of campaign been run

then we'd have won by a comfortable margin in both cases.

To continue looking at next year's General Election it is a safe bet to assume that we will get a good vote across Stoke, Bradford and Burnley. However, our campaign workers will find it impossible to get in touch with our voters because without having canvassed, we do not know who they are. As a result, we will not be able to focus the extra energy that we would like on these voters and thereby maximise our vote.

Nobody should be under any illusions about what we can expect from the General Election higher votes across the board which will also translate into many more saved deposits, but that's about it. At this stage there is no prospect of us winning anywhere in a General Election. Coming second in one or two seats may be possible and is the **most** that can be hoped for. But achieving several second places in a General Election would be another marker showing the BNP's electoral advance and would stand us in good stead for any national and local elections which follow. For a party at our stage of development, even one or two seconds would be very important scalps on our belt. They're worth going for.

The other set of elections next year are the County Council elections. These pertain to the counties and are not held within any of the metropolitan areas. As a predominantly urban party, this means that our best areas will not, in general, be up for grabs. County Council seats are also notable for another feature the wards tend to be the equivalent of three normal district or borough wards, which make them harder to canvass. A winning result will not, therefore, be at all likely, although a couple of good results may be obtained.

If you've followed the argument so far, you should have come to the conclusion that taken in isolation - the elections next year are of little import. The next set of elections that we can realistically have any success in will come in the Summer of 2006. These will be the regular round of council elections.

Recent wins in Keighley and London as the result of by-elections confirm that by-elections are also a chance for the party to progress.

However, such election campaigns must be fought in a determined manner full canvassing campaigns with a winning result as the objective to boost morale, raise the party's profile and lead the public towards acceptance of the BNP as a potential winner, not an also ran. This of itself will lead to higher votes. However, it means pulling everyone out on such campaigns as Labour are desperate to stop the party's advance, recently making a national call-out against us for yet another by-election in Dagenham.

PREPARING FOR 2006

The council elections of 2006 will probably come a year after the General Election but, strangely at first sight, success in former rests to a considerable extent on the work we do in the latter. It isn't just a matter of morale or of the damage who hope to inflict on the Tory party.

Within the one hundred seat campaign announced elsewhere in this issue, all but the weakest regions will choose one target constituency each. The aim: Canvass your entire target constituency! It sounds daunting, but it can be done. In 1994, I was the campaign director for the party's best parliamentary result at that time 7% in Dagenham. It was much smaller party than now and with a five-week campaign, we managed to canvass one-third of the constituency about three wards. That the party is bigger is not such a big factor because

we intend to have a number of target constituencies, not just one.

However, we should be able to use the big election lure to motivate our people to canvass leading up to the General Election and not just in the three or four weeks official election period, but in the three months or so before when we guess the election will fall namely to coincide with the County Council elections and any odd Borough/District by-elections on May 5th next year.

Every region with a target constituency should be able to canvass at least half of it. The better ones will manage it all. The payoff will not just be a higher percentage in the General Election, it will also be detailed canvass returns a year in advance for the Council elections of 2006. For the first time, branches should have a number of wards under their belt, fully canvassed though possibly only to a one-sweep standard. In other words, the General Election, aside from the publicity and recruitment benefits, is being used as a cover for our assault upon the Council chambers the year after. This is the biggest potential benefit of all, but it will have to be worked for.

Let me stress what canvassing is, and is not. It is not talking to a few people while out leafleting or canvassing a whole six streets! It means systematically knocking on every door in every street in the ward typically 4,500 homes. That is just the first sweep. At least two and ideally four canvassing sweeps are needed





for a full-on canvassing campaign.

On the second sweep all those who were previously 'out' on the first sweep are knocked again with a different leaflet and spoken to if at home. Those who were 'yes' or 'possible' on the first sweep are merely leafleted along the way. Each sweep (ideally hitting individual streets on a different time and day of the week to previous ones, so as to maximise the chance of finding voters in) becomes quicker as a greater number of homes are leafleted with fewer homes having to be knocked as a result of being 'out' on the previous sweeps.

The end of the campaign involves re-knocking the 'yeses' and 'possibles' to firm them up as to their voting intentions and trying to turn 'possibles' into 'yeses' again with a new leaflet to give to people who are at home or to drop through letter boxes where they are out. The key to such a professional campaign is that it reaches a crescendo amongst our likely voters on polling day, while ensuring the 'No' voters are not bothered from the moment they are identified, thus hopefully, not getting 'wound-up' into actually voting against us. We want enthusiasm and optimism among our supporters, and apathy among our opponents.

In Dagenham Vallence and Goresbrook we put out six or seven leaflets to 'Yes', 'Possible' and 'Out' households each time attempting to speak to people before parting with the leaflet because we have more chance of them reading the leaflet in this way (most leaflets are glanced at and have less than 1½ seconds to grab the reader's attention before going in the bin) and also because friendly face-to-face contact is a powerful way of overcoming negative media images/coverage and smears from the left in the campaign.

In some ways, it's a shame that some branches have met with electoral success without canvassing. The reason being that people within those branches and further afield too might have come to the false and misleading conclusion that canvassing is something that they needn't do. However, the truth that canvassing works, and that no canvassing equals failure, has been demonstrated in *by-elections* in both Stoke and Burnley.

I would also say that where such branches achieved success in the



CANVASSING: The key to success

regular round of elections by leafleting alone, had they canvassed instead of or as well as leafleting then even more success would have been forthcoming. Our opponents have analysed our success better than we have so far and the single gains made in both Burnley and Stoke this Summer illustrate the truth that our opponents are able to keep us back when faced with just a leaflet campaign. Our success in Bradford using the same type of leaflet campaign as in Stoke and Burnley was gained primarily because we caught them unawares. Next time, they will be ready for us. Further significant gains in Burnley, Stoke and Bradford will, from now on, only be made from significant levels of canvassing.

In my article of last month, I highlighted the power of canvassing by looking at Epping BNP's 100% canvassing success rate they stood four candidates and tried hard and canvassed in three of them. The three that were worked for were won!

A matter of cost which I neglected to include with that article last month is the following fact: Each of the winning Epping campaigns cost less than £140, giving the lie to the nonsense that huge sums need to be spent to win election (these wards were admittedly on the small side, but even so the spend per elector will always be roughly the same). As said then, what is most required is shoe leather and man-hours. I also compared the election results in Morley, Leeds in August. Two identical wards were given different treatments. The ward that was leafleted gave us 12.4% of the vote. The one that was canvassed achieved 32.7%.

Since then, we have two new examples of canvassing winning. Last

month, a small town council election occurred in Keighley, which is part of Bradford Metropolitan District Council. There were just two candidates an Independent and the British National Party. The BNP's Angela Clarke won by 180 votes to 158 gaining 53% of the vote. This win was achieved by a full canvassing campaign helped by Leeds BNP - along with Kirklees BNP among the few party branches to have adopted canvassing as a routine and indeed essential electoral activity. This win is even better than it looks for two reasons: We didn't gain from any 'anti-Labour/Tory' feeling, and also because the Tories and Labour united to campaign for the 'Independent'. That we can get that kind of result against a combined Establishment candidate shows what we can achieve if we just put the work in.

Also last month was another by-election victory, this time in the London borough of Barking and Dagenham. BNP candidate Dan Kelley romped home first with 52% of the vote more than all the others put together and that was in a field of six including Labour, Conservative, LibDem, UKIP and Green. This election saw a very intensive canvassing campaign and London and South East BNP (it was a two region effort) won a well-deserved victory.

The message is clear: If other BNP branches and groups aspire to win by-elections and regular elections, never mind getting over half the vote, then canvassing is the way forward. A tiny minority of BNP groups and branches, primarily in London and Yorkshire, doing it is not enough. We have said it before and I say it again now and will no doubt do so again in the future: Canvassing works, canvassing brings success. Start canvassing!

Putting up a tent blind-folded!

Camp Excalibur 2004

Report by Jennifer Griffin

AMBUSH: Young Brits Paintball

Even though this year's event was smaller than some of the previous camps - with about thirty youngsters and a number of adults attending - Camp Excalibur 2004, on the banks of the river Ribble, was a fantastic weekend enjoyed by all who attended. As well as numerous 'fun' activities - and the expected yearly downpour - what really set this Camp Excalibur apart from other BNP youth events was the fact that there were also extensive political discussions about where to take the Young Brits (YBNP) in the future. Such political content has been missing from previous Camp Excaliburs, but this time there were contributions from almost all who attended, and even from some who couldn't make it!

One of the main aims of the weekend was to start looking to create a Young Brits management team, and so the Saturday was kicked off with some light hearted team building exercises; from trying to put up a two-man tent blindfolded, to a campfire building and chicken fillet cooking competition. On the Sunday morning while

waiting for the rain to clear for the second round of paintball, there was a small meeting of the weekends' key players where Mark Collett - a previous Young BNP organiser - talked about how to attract more youngsters to the movement and then keep them interested. Jennifer Griffin, the newly appointed organiser of the Young Brits, talked about the need for current members to get active within their regions and draw attention to the fact the Young BNP are properly now up and running under the new and improved name; 'Young Brits.'

Other weekend activities included paintball, dingy-ing, white water rafting, swimming, walking, penalty shootouts, air rifle shooting, campfire singing and a treasure hunt for the younger children. The weekend was a great success, and everyone who attended promised to come back next year; this time without the, rain we hope!

A further weekend is now being planned for late autumn where the key future players within the Young Brits will be able to develop further the ideas discussed at Camp Excalibur, and any others that will arise between now and that weekend.

Further details of this weekend will be made available to all Young Brits members nearer the time, however it will be invited members only so if you want to be invited to and involved with this key weekend meeting you should start campaigning on behalf of the Young Brits now. You Can contact us at white_horse@bnp.org.uk if you want to get involved with the Young Brits.

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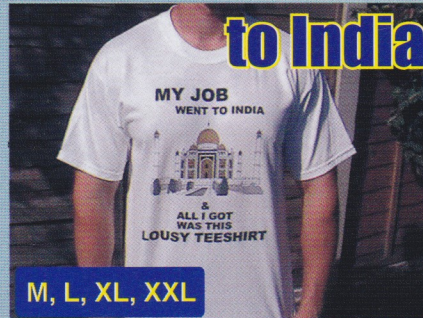
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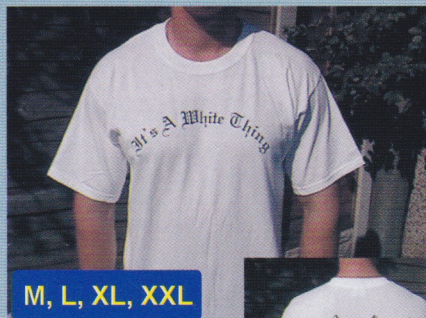
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